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Re: LRS registration for attorney Robert W. Bauer, ID 11058

Mr. Wasserman, see the accompanying letter. For whatever reason I have not been able to reach Karen Kelly for about a week. Time is of the essence with this matter.

Thank you.

Neil Gillespie

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Karen Kelly, Director
The Florida Bar Lawyer Referral Service
651 E Jefferson Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: LRS referral of attorney Robert W. Bauer, February 26, 2007 to Neil Gillespie

Dear Ms. Kelly:

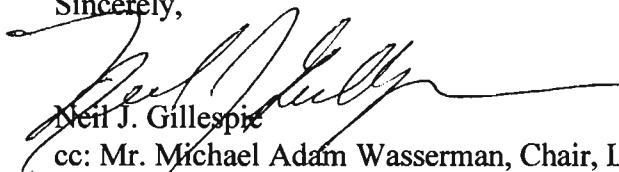
Previously Mary Ellen Bateman provided me Mr. Bauer's LRS records. After reviewing the documents she provided, it is not clear if Mr. Bauer was properly registered when the LRS referred him to me. From the documents Ms. Bateman provided, there appears to be a registration gap from his initial application of April 22, 2005 with the Clayton-Johnston firm (which he left in late 2006) and the LRS referral to me on February 26, 2007 at his new firm, the Law Office of Robert W. Bauer. Mr. Bauer's next LRS application or update occurred on April 29, 2008, long after the LRS referral to me or his time with Clayton-Johnston. Also, there is no evidence Mr. Bauer remitted the 12% LRS fee of \$2,305.49 due on \$19,212.44 he collected from me in attorney's fees from the referral.

Ms. Kelly, please clarify the apparent problem with Mr. Bauer's LRS registration. Kindly identify Mr. Bauer's malpractice insurance carrier on February 26, 2007, when the LRS referred him to me. A copy of the LRS referral accompanies this letter.

Also, is there a separate complaint process for lawyers referred by the LRS, or for matters involving the LRS? I would not want to use the usual Bar grievance procedure, it is ineffective since the Bar rarely finds wrongdoing, and the process exposes one to litigation from the complained-about lawyer.

I have been trying to reach you for about a week without success. Please respond ASAP.

Sincerely,



Neil J. Gillespie

cc: Mr. Michael Adam Wasserman, Chair, Lawyer Referral Service Committee (via fax)
enclosure

➔ **Lawyer Referral Service**

Referral Confirmation

PLEASE PRINT AND BRING THIS CONFIRMATION FORM WITH YOU TO THE LAWYER'S OFFICE.

You have been referred to:

**Robert W. Bauer
2815 NW 13th St Ste 200E
Gainesville FL 32609-2865
PH: (352) 3755960**

*Mach 1st 2007
Thurs Day.*

345 PM

\$25.00

K. Bauer

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What county: Marion

We have several attorney panels, please select the panel you need: Regular

What area of law do you need an attorney for? Libel & Slander

Do you have a special language requirement?

Must the attorney be willing to make a Jail call? No

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