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Urgent Appeal - For Protection from Political Persecution in the United States
Observer requested for new petition filed October 23rd in the U.S. Supreme Court

Dear Mrs. Knaul and Mr. Chalklen:

My name is Neil Gillespie, age 57, a law-abiding, indigent, disabled citizen of the United States. I am being persecuted by The Florida Bar, U.S. Judge William Terrell Hodges, and Florida attorneys Ryan Christopher Rodems and Eugene P. Castagliuolo, in retaliation for petitioning for a redress of grievances in Petition No. 12-7747 for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Unfortunately Petition No. 12-7747 was compromised by fraud of the Respondents. Specific examples of current and ongoing political persecution of me include:

1. The Florida Bar for an open investigation of me for Unlicensed Practice of Law (UPL).
2. Mr. Rodems made the UPL complaint against me for representing myself and my interests.
3. Judge Hodges corruptly assisted McCalla Raymer in a wrongfully foreclosure of my home.
4. Mr. Castagliuolo' ongoing threats to interfere with my Social Security disability income.

Petition No. 12-7747 was denied February 19, 2013. Rehearing was denied April 15, 2013.

In May 2013 Diana R. Esposito, Florida Chief-Assistant Attorney General, provided me incriminating public records showing Respondent David A. Rowland, General Counsel for Respondent Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Florida, concocted with others a fraud to falsely portray to Kenneth Wilson, Florida Assistant Attorney General, that I did not serve Mr. Rowland my petition as I certified under Supreme Court Rule 29. Mr. Wilson claims he relied on Rowland's fraud, and did not submit a brief in opposition due the Supreme Court January 14, 2013.

Without a response, Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi denied me due process under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. The U.S. Supreme Court relies on opposition briefs as part of its adversarial process to properly litigate and decide a petition. Florida's opposition brief was due January 14, 2013. AG Bondi did not respond for Florida, thus no opposition brief was distributed for the Supreme Court's Conference February 15, 2013.

Political persecution of Neil Gillespie

I am being persecuted in retribution for two recent petitions for redress of grievances:

Petition No. 12-7747 for writ of certiorari, U.S. Supreme Court, December 10, 2012
Petition No. SC11-1622 for writ of mandamus, Florida Supreme Court, January 9, 2012

I. Persecution of me by The Florida Bar and Mr. Rodems - UPL and foreclosure defense.

On May 14, 2013 Ghunise L. Coaxum, Florida Bar Counsel of the Unlicensed Practice of Law (UPL) Department, Orlando Florida, informed me by letter of the “Unlicensed Practice of Law Investigation of Neil J. Gillespie; Case No. 20133090(5)”. The UPL complaint was made by Ryan Christopher Rodems, and alleges I engaged in UPL for representing my own interests in:

Reverse Mortgage Solutions Inc. v. Neil J. Gillespie, et al, the wrongful foreclosure of my home on a “reverse” mortgage called a HECM, Home Equity Conversion Mortgage.

Gillespie et al. v. Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Florida, et al, case 5:11-cv-539-WTH-TBS, part of Petition No. 12-7747 for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court.

UPL is a violation of Florida Bar Rule 10.2-1(a), and a felony crime in Florida punishable by five (5) years incarceration and a \$5,000 fine. F.S. § 454.23.

But it was Mr. Rodems who engaged in UPL by wrongly representing the state of Florida in my federal § 1983 and ADA disability lawsuit no. 5:10-cv-503, more information to follow.

II. Persecution of me by U.S. Judge William Terrell Hodges - wrongful home foreclosure.

Judge Hodges made unlawful rulings to benefit the Plaintiff in a foreclosure action on my home. Yolanda Martinez, a paralegal to Plaintiff’s counsel Danielle Parsons of McCalla Raymer, LLC, engaged in the Unlicensed Practice of Law in furtherance of a scheme to take my home by fraud, see my Rule 11 sanction motion (Doc. 15), my Rule 55 default motion (Doc. 16), and my verified objection to magistrate order Doc. 12 (Doc. 17) in case 5:13-cv-58-oc-WTH-PRL.

Judge Hodges is a shareholder in Bank of America, the real party Plaintiff, but failed to recuse as required by 28 U.S.C. § 455(b)(4) for his financial interest Bank of America. Judge Hodges then ignored my 48 page affidavit for bias or prejudice, 28 U.S.C. § 144, filed April 8, 2013 (Doc 22). Tellingly Judge Hodges entered an order (Doc. 24) that wrongly denied under § 144 his own disqualification, and thus wrongly denied my Rule 59(e) motion to alter or amend judgment.

Judge Hodges will not acknowledge certain federal laws of the United States, specifically the *Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act* (12 U.S.C. Chapter 53), or the *Consumer Financial Protection Bureau* (CFPB, 12 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Subchapter V) in orders responsive to my pleadings in a contested HECM reverse mortgage foreclosure by Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc. for Bank of America, the real party Plaintiff.

On March 15, 2013 I wrote to U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts about Judge Hodges' misconduct. Sen. Warren helped create and pass the *Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act* and the CFPB. Judge Hodges wrongly remanded the foreclosure back to state court, which I appealed. U.S. Eleventh Circuit, Appeal No. 13-11585-B.

III. Persecution by The Florida Bar and Mr. Castagliuolo of Neil J. Gillespie - Disability.

Florida attorney Eugene P. Castagliuolo has disparaged me on the basis of disability for over a year, and made numerous threats to disrupt my disability benefits in letters to The Florida Bar.

The last letter I received from Mr. Castagliuolo is addressed to Susan Varner Bloemendaal, Chief Branch Discipline Counsel, Tampa Branch Office, dated June 19, 2013, and states in part:

“I have collected a large pile of the many, many documents filed in various, places by Gillespie over the past several years, and I am looking forward to furnishing that pile to the SSDI abuse investigator for Florida...Once the SSA reviews the fruits of Gillespie's labor, I'm confident that his “handicap” status will be very much at issue.”

The letter shows cc: “Office of the Inspector General, Social Security Disability Administration (by regular U. S. Mail).” Mr. Castagliuolo infers that I am not disabled, but feign disability as part of a plan to abandon my former prosperous business, and to opt instead for a life dependent on disability income. I have a number of similar writings from Mr. Castagliuolo. It appears he does not know or understand much about my disability, and my life-long habilitation efforts.

Please find enclosed the following:

AFFIDAVIT OF NEIL J. GILLESPIE, FRAUD-IMPAIRMENT OF PETITION No. 12-7747

October 21, 2013- To the Special Rapporteur, Independence of Judges and Lawyers, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and the Special Rapporteur on Disability, United Nations Enable (website), Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Affidavit: Fraud or impairment of Petition No. 12-7747, a legitimate government activity (18 U.S.C. § 371), deprivation of my rights under color of law (18 U.S.C. § 242), and conspiracy against my rights (18 U.S.C. § 241).

AFFIDAVIT OF NEIL J. GILLESPIE-WELL-FOUNDED FEAR-POLITICAL PERSECUTION

October 21, 2013- To the Special Rapporteur, Independence of Judges and Lawyers, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and the Special Rapporteur on Disability, United Nations Enable (website), Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Affidavit: *I have a well-founded fear of political persecution*

Gabriela Knaul, Special Rapporteur, Independence of Judges and Lawyers
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Also enclosed is a copy of Petition No. 12-7747, and a CD with the whole case file. My current petition also enclosed, also with a CD with the files up to now.

I also wrote to President Jimmy Carter as I know he is interested in the ICCPR and the UN. A copy of my letter to President Carter is enclosed.

This is all I can do now, I will follow-up as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures