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Barry Richard
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Tallahassee, Florida Via e-mail to richardb@gtlaw.com

Re: Your Firm's Latest Pleading, This One with the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

Dear Mr. Richard:

There you go again.

You have intentionally miscited to the trial court, Judge Jordan, the *Mason v. The Florida Bar* case, in which the federal court holds that any Florida lawyer has a "right" to appear before the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar to assert his "constitutional defenses" prior to a disciplinary trial—which is a right that has been denied me by the Board of Governors. You have repeatedly told Judge Jordan that this "right" affords me an adequate state remedy, and thus abstention applies. That is a lie.

You have additionally repeatedly told Judge Jordan that The Florida Bar has *never* brought its own ethics complaints against me as the originating complainant but has only acted as an honest broker and processor of complaints by others. Upon my repeated provision to you of the evidence of such complaints by The Bar, you have refused to inform the trial court of your "error."

Further, you have told the trial court that the State of Alabama seeks to discipline me for making false statements about the judge there, who could "fix" the case. When I produced to you the fact that the State of Alabama was saying no such thing, that Alabama has in fact admitted in answers to interrogatories that nothing I have said in Alabama is not true, you refused to inform Judge Jordan of your "error." I could go on, but you get the idea.

And now, with your name at the top of the signature block in the first page of your firm's Response to my petition, you file a pleading that falsely asserts that I have made nothing but "general allegations" that are "unspecified" as to the misconduct of Judge Jordan. This is not just an unwitting falsehood.

Mr. Richard, as you know, I called you a couple of weeks and asked you to stop filing false pleadings, misrepresenting the case authority and the facts, to courts of law. Here

was your response: “Jack, this is a big firm. I can’t be responsible for everything that goes out under my name.”

Florida Bar Rule 4-5.1 pertaining to the ethical duties of supervising attorneys in law firms says just the opposite, Mr. Richard. You put your name on a pleading, and you are clearly responsible for what is in that pleading.

This profession that we both took an oath to uphold may be some “game” to you. You may *think* you can make up cases and fabricate facts in order to secure “abstention” at all costs. This is not a game to me. This is my career which, for 31 years, I have been immersed in while in continuous good standing, despite twenty years of attacks by the porn industry in serial efforts to have me disbarred.

More important than my career are those whom I have fought to protect—children targeted by the entertainment industry with adult-rated products like the *Grand Theft Auto* games and pornographic radio shows, like the *Howard Stern Show* that have violated federal broadcast decency laws, 18 USC 1464, against which I have successfully secured FCC fines. My reward for that success has been SLAPP Bar complaints brought by the Stern broadcasters’ lawyers, with you knowingly repeating their lies in court filings, now to the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Sincerely, Jack Thompson