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The Board of Professional Responsibility is operating remotely. For informal ethics inquiries, please enter your inquiry online using the informal inquiry form. () Ethics Counsel will be receiving informal ethics inquiries online only.				
The Board of Professional Responsibility will be closed on Thursday, December 31 and Friday, January 1.				
Your complaint has been successfully submitted. Please note that your complaint cannot be processed until documents reflecting the attorney's representation and/or documents supporting your complaint are received by the Board within the next 30 days.				

#### // For The Public // File a Complaint

12/29/2020

Attorneys who violate the Rules of Professional Conduct are subject to discipline, which could mean suspension of the right to practice law, or even disbarment.

All lawyers, however, are not of equal abilities. Some are more capable than others and sometimes they make mistakes. A lawyer may lose the trust and confidence of a client for various reasons. In some cases this may result from unethical conduct. In other cases, grounds for discipline may not exist because the lawyer may not have violated the Rules of Professional Conduct.

Disciplining a lawyer requires evidence - proof of misconduct - to justify disciplinary action. Likewise, the action of the lawyer must constitute misconduct. An honest disagreement about how a case should have been handled does not constitute misconduct, even if the outcome of the case is disappointing.

A mistake alone does not constitute misconduct. Like all others, lawyers make mistakes. If a mistake causes a loss, the client may be able to recover the loss in a law suit against the lawyer. But a mistake or error in judgment by itself is not misconduct.

If you have a problem of inadequate communication - lack of sufficient agreement or some misunderstanding - it may be the problem can best be resolved by a frank talk with the lawyer. The Board's Consumer Assistance Program may also be helpful in resolving misunderstandings with your attorney.

If your efforts have not satisfactorily resolved your concerns, complete and submit the **"Online Complaint Form"** below. Alternatively, CLICK HERE to print a blank copy of the complaint form.

- For alleged ethical violations of a serious nature, check, "I am submitting this form as a formal complaint."
- For concerns which do not rise to the level of serious ethical violations, check, "I am submitting this form as an informal request for assistance."

### **Complaint Form**

#### **Q** Lookup Lawyer

Type any part of the name or BPR number (minimum 3 characters)

Date of first contact with Lawyer

yyyy/mm/dd

Date of last contact with Lawyer

yyyy/mm/dd

https://www.tbpr.org/for-the-public/file-complaint

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# **CONSUMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

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January 29, 2021

Jeffrey Fenton 17195 Silver Pkwy #150 Fenton, MI 48430-3496

RE: Complaint Number: 66373c-6 Attorney: Virginia Lee Story

Dear Mr Fenton,

We reviewed your letter and materials about the opposing counsel. We are sorry to hear of the difficulties you have experienced.

You said your divorce was handled unfairly and based on misinformation. You have recently filed an appeal. If the appeal decision by the court indicates that the opposing counsel acted improperly, please send us a copy of the decision and a letter of explanation to review for possible attorney ethical violations. Our office is not a court with the authority to change any order or decision of a court, including any Order of Protection or divorce decree. We are not permitted to represent individuals and so cannot assist with your appeal.

You mentioned crimes. Our office does not prosecute crime. Any crime should be discussed with law enforcement or the local district attorney's office where the crime occurred. If any attorney is indicted for crime or fraud is found by any court, please write us with that information for our further review.

You appear to need prompt legal advice. Please see the enclosures in searching for representation, for sources of free or low cost legal services or self-help information. We hope this information is helpful. Please reference your CAP number above when writing our office about this attorney. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Beverly P. Sharpe Beverly P. Sharpe, Counsel

Director of Consumer Assistance

Enclosure:

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### **LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICES**

Our office is not permitted to refer, recommend, appoint or assign attorneys. We have no authority to give specific legal advice or represent individuals. Please seek independent legal advice promptly to avoid missing any deadlines.

To assist you in locating an attorney, a list of Lawyer Referral Services (LRS) in Tennessee is provided. Generally, a half hour appointment is set to consult with the lawyer for a small fee, not the usual hourly rate, before hiring the attorney. To avoid misunderstandings when hiring any attorney, obtain a written fee agreement at the first conference.

#### Chattanooga Bar Association

801 Broad Št Ste 420 Chattanooga, TN 37402 Phone: (423)756-3222 Website: <u>www.chattbar.org</u> Serving: Hamilton, Bradley, Rhea Counties and Southeast Tennessee

### Knoxville Bar Association

PO Box 2027 Knoxville, TN 37901-2027 Phone: (865)522-6522 Website: <u>www.knoxbar.org</u> Serving: Knox County and East Tennessee

#### **Nashville Bar Association**

150 Fourth Ave N Ste 1050 Nashville, TN 37219 Phone: (615)242-6546 (888)577-1939 (toll free) Website: <u>www.nashvillelawyerreferral.org</u> Serving: Davidson County and Middle Tennessee

#### **Memphis Bar Association**

145 Court Ave Ste 301 Memphis, TN 38103 **Directory only**, not referral Phone: (901)527-3573 Website: <u>www.memphisbar.org</u> Serving: Memphis & Midsouth Tennessee

### Other resources to find qualified attorneys or legal assistance:

www.tba.org/info/find-an-attorney www.justiceforalltn.com www.HELP4TN.org 1-844-Help4TN (1-844-435-7486) www.lawsearchpro.com

<u>Martindale-Hubbell</u> <u>www.martindale.com</u> 1-800-526-4902 is not a "Referral Service" but is an Online Attorney Directory to assist in locating an attorney. Search for an attorney by location and type of practice. If you do not have access to a computer, a printed directory can usually be found at local public libraries in the reference section.

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### **TENNESSEE ALLIANCE FOR LEGAL SERVICES**

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## Help4TN

A toll-free phone line offering free legal information and referrals to assist Tennesseans in finding resources to deal with civil legal issues.

- By telephone, dial 1-844-HELP4TN (1-844-435-7486)
- Talk to an experienced Tennessee attorney for free legal advice and referrals.

A web portal designed to provide Tennesseans with a broad range of legal and social services resources in a one-stop venue.

- Visit the website <u>www.help4tn.org</u>
- Email legal questions, see court forms, watch videos about legal issues and more.

# **Free Legal Answers**

Users are provided online advice and counsel about civil legal issues from a volunteer attorney at no cost. An easy-to-use, web-based pro bono clinic for low-income persons. Users can post questions about their civil legal needs and receive basic legal information and advice from attorneys.

- See if you quality by visiting www.tn.freelegalanswers.org
- Sign in to ask a legal question on the website
- An attorney will reply to you on the website
- You'll receive an email when your question is answered

# Justice For All - A Tennessee Supreme Court Initiative

Users who cannot afford a lawyer and need legal help in civil cases, may find a lawyer or agency to help with all or part of a civil legal issue, or find information to better understand what is needed to represent yourself in civil legal matter.

• Visit the website www.justiceforalltn.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	Jeff Fenton Monday, February 22, 2021 8:04 AM Sandy Garrett RE: Virginia Lee Story   PLEASE DO NOT FORWARD TO CAP   Batch 1 of 2 2019-08-29 SMOKING GUN #1 - FACT CHECKING PROOF of PERJURY (compare with audio).pdf; APPLICABLE - RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT.pdf; 2020-12-29 Narrative of BPR Complaint against Attorney Virginia Lee Story.txt
Importance:	High

### Hello Ms. Garrett,

I'm extremely disappointed that though I selected on your website the check-box specifing "I AM SUBMITTING THIS FORM AS A FORMAL COMPLAINT" (not an "Informal Request for Assistance"), that my complaint was still forwarded to your CAP Division (Consumer Assistance Program).

Regardless of what their last names are, if they refuse to live and function under the RULE OF LAW, then they have no place in being trusted "Members of the Court", or certainly in administering justice! I've never even been arrested, and I lost everything in my life, including my \$500k Brentwood home (now worth over \$800k), for ZERO dollars. While being rendered literally homeless and destitute, without so much as DUE PROCESS! All in just 30 minutes of the Court's time!

While Chancellor Binkley didn't question a WORD spoken by Attorney Story, while I was deprived of my rights, my beautiful Brentwood home, and all of my real property, "under color of law"! **There was no truth to be found in any of it!** 

I completely understand the scope of the work and professional responsibility held by the "Board of Professional Responsibility". From what I understand, no court can discipline, suspend, and disbar an attorney for misconduct, except for your organization! Which is exactly why I have gone through great efforts to contact you and provide you with nearly 500 pages of documented evidence of grossly unethical behavior and misconduct on the part of Attorney Virginia Lee Story, as well as a number of other members of the Tennessee BAR.

### As stated on your website:

"Attorneys who violate the Rules of Professional Conduct are subject to discipline, which could mean suspension of the right to practice law, or even disbarment."

This is exactly what I expected in contacting your organization, my other needs will be sought elsewhere. It has been a tremendous undertaking, to even attempt to challenge these high profile individuals, who live as though they are "ABOVE THE LAW". Which I expect is some of the apprehensions in your BOARD holding them "Accountable" to the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct, but that is exactly what I need from you please!

As also instructed on your website:

# For alleged ethical violations of a serious nature, check, <u>"I am</u> submitting this form as a formal complaint."

Hence on my complaint form, I specifically selected **"I am submitting this form as a formal complaint."** (Not to be forwarded to CAP, with a few meaningless fliers mailed to me, marking my complaint "no further action" until a court of law rules.)

**Please remove this case from the CAP division.** All that they did was mail me several pages on free legal services within the State of Tennessee, all of which I exhausted over a year ago.

I understand the roles of the DA, the AG, the FBI, the TBI, the COA, the AOC, and the Supreme Court. I also understand the role of the BJC, where I've spoken with Shane A. Hutton, "Assistant Disciplinary Counsel" in regards to my complaint against Judge Michael W. Binkley. As for my ETHICAL COMPLAINTS regarding LAWYERS within the State of Tennessee, I am told that the BPR is the one and only entity, board, authority, appointed, funded, and responsible for that! Which is exactly why I filed my complaint form on your website, and hope that your organization will immediately launch an investigation into the mountain of horrendous, abusive, cruel, and downright inhumane ethical violations which I have and shall continue to provide you with evidence of, in my case alone.

### Below are a few of the brazen violations by Attorney Virginia Lee Story during my case:

- Rule 1.2 SCOPE OF REPRESENTATION
- Rule 1.6 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION
- Rule 3.3 Candor Toward the Tribunal
- Rule 3.4 Fairness to Opposing Party and Counsel
- Rule 3.5 Impartiality and Decorum of The Tribunal
- Rule 4.1 Truthfulness in Statements to Others
- Rule 8.3 REPORTING PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT
- Rule 8.4 MISCONDUCT

### That is what happens when CORRUPT BUDDIES are allowed to continue to operate above the law!

Please do your very best to ensure that adequate (impartial) resources are allocated to investigating my claims and taking ACTION to **hold Attorney Virginia Lee Story accountable** for her disrespect of EVERY rule of professional conduct, having violated EVERY pledge in her Oath of Office, having intentionally worked in direct opposition to both the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, along with the Constitution of the United States of America! She showed me nothing except for an insatiable lust for power by which to further harm me! Even after I was forced to relocate 600 miles away, to simply obtain replacement shelter and provision!

I am not crazy, and I can (and have) provided you with more EVIDENCE than probably anyone typically provides to your agency.

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This involves Federal and State Fraud committed seperately, by Attorney Ausbrooks in Federal Bankruptcy Court, and Attorney Virginia Lee Story committing every other sort of Fraud in Chancery Court, while her good buddy, Judge Michael W. Binkley "rubber stamped" everything!

It is an abomination to Justice, and should be shameful and reprehensible to every Tennessee Citizen, especially those employed in a profession devoted to law, integrity, honesty, or justice!

Thank you for any real help you are able to provide.

Again, I understand the scope of your organization's authority and responsibilities. There is no need to "set my expectations" to not receive direct help. I'm seeking my legal cure elsewhere. **But I'm** expecting you to prevent this from ever happening again to somebody else!

In hopes of increasing the transparency, accountability, and integrity of Tennessee's legal system, to match the growth and need of Tennessee's economy.

Respectfully,

### **Jeff Fenton**

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