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**ETHICAL CONDUCT COMPLAINT**

**PART A: INFORMATION ABOUT YOU - PLEASE KEEP CURRENT**

1. FULL NAME: Billy Broussard
2. HOME ADDRESS: 1307 South Main  
CITY: Breaux Bridge STATE Louisiana ZIP 70517-5403  
TELEPHONE: area code (337) 316-6193
3. EMPLOYER: Self (Billy Broussard Companies)  
WORK ADDRESS: 1307 South Main  
CITY: Breaux Bridge STATE Louisiana ZIP 70517-5403  
TELEPHONE: area code (337) 316-6193
4. NAME OF PERSON WHO CAN ALWAYS REACH YOU: Jessica Broussard  
ADDRESS & TELEPHONE: 1307 South Main Breaux Bridge, Louisiana 70517-5403. 337-962-8387

**PART B: INFORMATION ABOUT ATTORNEY**

1. NAME OF ATTORNEY: Robin Sylvester
2. ADDRESS: 1025 Coolidge Street  
CITY: Lafayette STATE Louisiana ZIP 70503  
TELEPHONE: area code (337) 513-0504
3. WHEN DID YOU HIRE THIS ATTORNEY? Contact executed on April 4, 2017.
4. WHAT DID YOU HIRE THIS ATTORNEY TO DO FOR YOU? Annul judgment against me, lift restraining order, and sue GOHSEP for damages.
5. WHAT WAS YOUR FEE ARRANGEMENT WITH THE ATTORNEY? Straight contingency with me paying filing fees.

**PART C: EXPLANATION OF YOUR COMPLAINT**

State in detail why you think this attorney has done something improper or has failed to do something which this attorney should have done. Include the names and addresses of all persons who know something about your grievance. Attach copies of court papers, cancelled checks or receipts showing payments of attorney's fee, and other documents relevant to your grievance. Attach additional 8 1/2" x 11" sheets of paper if you need more space for your explanation.

Ms. Sylvester repeatedly emphasized the importance of the date October 5, 2017 as being the deadline for me to file the litigation to avoid prescription problems. I am providing with this complaint a print out of a screen-shot wherein Ms. Sylvester stated the deadline for filing a lawsuit. I am also providing a copy of a draft of the litigation Ms. Sylvester drafted with the intent of suing GOHSEP. Nevertheless, for reasons unknown to me, Ms. Sylvester opted not to file the litigation. The only explanation I have for why she did not is that I have her recorded in expressing a reluctance to go up against Kelly Fontenot, who is the Business Compliance and Fraud Analyst at the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury; Rusty Stutes, who serves as legal counsel for Gravity Drainage District 8 of Ward 1 of Calcasieu Parish; and "crooked judges" serving in 14th JDC (presumably to include Judge David Ritchie since he is the specific judge who would have heard Ms. Sylvester's oral arguments). I am enclosing an audio of Ms. Sylvester's commentary in that regard, which was recorded on October 4, 2018. Because I was sensing Ms. Sylvester's timidity, I hired another attorney, William Most, in September of 2018. I made it clear to both attorneys what their roles were to be, and I sought for Most to be the "bulldog" attorney (given Sylvester's timidity) who would not be influenced by local political considerations, to serve as co-counsel with Sylvester's role being to continue forward with having the restraining order lifted and reinforce for Most's efforts after any GOHSEP litigation was filed. That fact notwithstanding, my mere prodding of Ms. Sylvester to be more aggressive prompted her to refer to my requests that she do so, as evidenced by the audio file supplied with this complaint, as "bull s—." Furthermore, against my wishes, during that same phone call of October 4, 2018, Ms. Sylvester informed me that she was withdrawing from any representation of me at all. She stated: "I quit." Furthermore, Mr. Most informed me that Ms. Sylvester flat-out let my cause of action against GOHSEP prescribe when she failed to act in October of 2017. Accordingly, I sent Ms. Sylvester the enclosed certified letter dated February 18, 2019 as a formal demand for the name of her malpractice insurance carrier as well as the policy number. The elements of my complaint are her lack of a reasonable basis for permitting my cause of action to prescribe (aside from possibly her concern over "crooked judges") and her failure to provide me with the insurance carrier for her malpractice insurance for purposes of me filing a claim against that policy.

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**LIST ALL DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:** Screen-shot of planned October 6, 2017 meeting to avoid prescription; Draft of petition suing GOHSEP; audio file of October 4, 2018 phone conversation between Billy Broussard and attorney Robin Sylvester; Certified letter from Billy Broussard to Robin Sylvester dated February 18, 2019.

**DATE OF SIGNING:** March 11, 2019

  
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