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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Hon. John Robert Miraldi ODC File No. B7-0103J

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance concerning Judge Miraldi was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

Please be advised that the authority of the Disciplinary Counsel is limited to investigating alleged misconduct and violations of the Code of Professional Responsibility, the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct and the Code of Judicial Conduct by attorneys and judges. Therefore, only violations of specific rules governing attorneys and judges can be addressed by this office. Further, our office cannot provide legal assistance, offer legal advice or answer questions of a legal nature.

Upon review of your grievance, we do not note any evidence of conduct constituting a violation of the Code by Judge Miraldi. Dissatisfaction or disagreement with a judge's rulings of law are legal issues subject to appeal, and a judge's rulings of law, even if erroneous, are not by themselves evidence of bias, prejudice, or other ethical misconduct. You have provided no evidence that Judge Miraldi's decisions were the product of any unethical influence or action. It appears that he simply made decisions with which you disagree.

If you are dissatisfied with or disagree with the judicial decisions made by Judge Miraldi, these concerns should be raised with the appropriate appellate authority. The grievance process is not a substitute for court process, nor is this office an alternate trier of fact or appellate forum.

Clifton A. Jackson February 7, 2017 Page 2

For the aforementioned reasons, we have dismissed your grievance and closed our file.

Sincerely,

Amy C. Stone Assistant Disciplinary Counsel

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Hon. John Miraldi cc:

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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Hon. Edward Matthew Zaleski ODC File No. B7-0102J

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance concerning Judge Zaleski was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

Please be advised that the authority of the Disciplinary Counsel is limited to investigating alleged misconduct and violations of the Code of Professional Responsibility, the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct and the Code of Judicial Conduct by attorneys and judges. Therefore, only violations of specific rules governing attorneys and judges can be addressed by this office. Further, our office cannot provide legal assistance, offer legal advice or answer questions of a legal nature.

Upon review of your grievance, we do not note any evidence of conduct constituting a violation of the Code by Judge Zaleski. Dissatisfaction or disagreement with a judge's rulings of law are legal issues subject to appeal, and a judge's rulings of law, even if erroneous, are not by themselves evidence of bias, prejudice, or other ethical misconduct. You have provided no evidence that Judge Zaleski's decision was the product of any unethical influence or action. It appears that he simply made a decision with which you disagree.

If you are dissatisfied with or disagree with the judicial decisions made by Judge Zaleski, these concerns should be raised with the appropriate appellate authority. The grievance process is not a substitute for court process, nor is this office an alternate trier of fact or appellate forum.

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For the aforementioned reasons, we have dismissed your grievance and closed our file.

Sincerely,

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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Dennis Patrick Will, Esq. ODC File No. B7-0093

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Will was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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For the aforementioned reasons, we have dismissed your grievance and closed our file.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dennis Will, Esq.

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#### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Mary Ruth Slanczka, Esq. ODC File No. B7-0094

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Slanczka was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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For the aforementioned reasons, we have dismissed your grievance and closed our file.

Sincerely,

Amy C. Stone

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cc: Mary Ruth Slanczka, Esq.

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#### LEGAL MAIL

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Peter Joseph Gauthier, Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0096

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Gauthier was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Peter Gauthier, Esq.

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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Mark Alfred Aufdenkampe, Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0099

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Aufdenkampe was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Mark Aufdenkampe, Esq.

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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Jennifer Margaret Riedthaler, Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0095

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Riedthaler was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Jennifer Riedthaler, Esq.

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### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut. OH 44030

Re:

Laura Ann Elizabeth Dezort, Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0097

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Dezort was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Laura Ann Elizabeth Dezort, Esq.

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Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Jack Wayne Bradley, Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0098

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Bradley was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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### LEGAL MAIL

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Paul Andrew Griffin, Esq. ODC File No. B7-0100

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Griffin was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Paul Griffin, Esq.

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#### **LEGAL MAIL**

Clifton A. Jackson (#652-163) LaeCI 501 Thompson Rd. P.O. Box 8000 Conneaut, OH 44030

Re:

Paul Anthony Mancino, Jr., Esq.

ODC File No. B7-0101

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Your grievance regarding Attorney Mancino was received in our office on January 17, 2017.

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cc: Paul Mancino, Esq.