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RE: Guardianship of Martha E. Ham

Dear Mr. Riley:

I am responding to your correspondence dated February 25, 2002. There are several misstatements contained in your correspondence.

While it is true that Kyle Hamilton was represented independently and separately by Attorney Richard O'Brien, who shares office space with you, Ms. Hamilton separately and independently retained Tonjua I. Gray. Ms. Hamilton and Tonjua Gray separately negotiated the compensation to Tonjua Gray. Additionally, Ms. Hamilton apparently consulted with CPA Matt Robertson. I simply drafted an employment agreement setting forth the terms that had already been agreed upon, and for which no one was billed. I was simply drafting an employment agreement as part of my continued representation on behalf of my client, Martha Ham.

Ms. Hamilton's claim that she would not be named as a guardian unless she hired Tonjua Gray is an outright fabrication.

Additionally, I have represented Mary and Joseph Kobek regarding estate planning matters. You will need to specify what you believe to be a conflict of interest in connection therewith, as your assertion is unclear to me. Simply representing Mary and Joseph Kobek in estate planning matters does not present a conflict of interest under Indiana law.

The mere drafting of an employment agreement is not substantially related to the issues at hand such that a conflict of interest exists. The terms of the employment contract are not at issue, rather, the issue is your client's breach of her duties as the legal guardian herein.

I have never represented Kyle Hamilton, who has always been represented separately and independently. Instead, I have always represented Martha E. Ham, and the mere drafting of an

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employment agreement does not present a conflict of interest inasmuch, as the issues therein are not substantially related to the issues at hand in the guardianship proceeding.

Please contact me should you have any additional questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ned J. Tonner", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ned J. Tonner

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