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ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT
GRIEVANCE FORM

PART A: YOUR INFORMATION (please PRINT, keep current & notify us immediately of any changes)

Your name: Bruce Matzkin, Esq.
Mail address: 1052 Main St., suite 14
City: Branford County: _____ State: CT Zip: 06405
Home Tel: 203- Work Tel: _____ Cell 203-605-2784
Fax # 203-488-8079 E-mail brucematzkin@sbeglobal.net
Employer: self Address: same as above

Are you represented by an attorney now? If so, please provide:

Attorney Full Name: _____
Address: _____ Tel _____

N/A

PART B: INFORMATION ABOUT ATTORNEY WHOM YOU ARE COMPLAINING:

Attorney's Full Name: Lloyd Warford
Address: 3017 Cleburne, No. Little Rock, AR 72116

Does (did) this attorney represent you? No If yes, when (month/year) was he/she hired? _____

What did you hire the attorney to do for you? _____

What was the fee arrangement? Please include copies of all checks and/or receipts.

Did the attorney or someone on his behalf contact you to see if he or she could represent you?

YES _____ NO

If you answered yes to the last question please answer the following three questions:

- a. Did you request the attorney to contact you? Yes _____ No _____
- b. How was the contact made? Phone _____ In-Person _____ Mail _____
- c. Was the contact made by the attorney _____ or another person _____?

Did you sign a Contract of Employment or Power of Attorney? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, include copies with your grievance.

PART C: INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR LAWSUIT, COURT CASE

N/A

Give court, case number, & party names of any lawsuit (i.e. Doe v. Poe, Pope County Circuit, C-04-017) Please include copies of any the docket sheet, Orders and any pleadings in this case. (These documents may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court in which your case was filed.)

COURT NAME: _____

CASE NUMBER: _____

PARTY NAMES OF ANY LAWSUIT: _____

PART D: INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GRIEVANCE

State in detail and in chronological order the circumstances involved. Include dates or approximate dates. Attach additional sheets of paper if you do not have room below to fully explain your grievance. Also, attach **photocopies** of any documents you feel are relevant to your grievance. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS; WE CANNOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR SAFE KEEPING AND RETURN TO YOU. (This office charges .25 per page to provide copies of any documents you may later need)**

see attached letter

Return completed form to: Office of Professional Conduct, Justice Building, Room 110, 625 Marshall Street, Little Rock, AR 72201-1022. (Fax number 501-376-3438)

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Your name: Bruce Matzkin, Esq.
Mail address: 1052 Main St., suite 14
City: Branford County: _____ State: CT Zip: 06405
Home Tel: _____ Work Tel: _____ Cell: 203-605-2784
Fax # _____ E-mail _____
Employer: self Address: _____
Are you represented by an attorney now? If so, please provide: N/A
Attorney Full Name: _____
Address: _____ Tel _____

PART B: INFORMATION ABOUT ATTORNEY WHOM YOU ARE COMPLAINING:

Attorney's Full Name: Gina Houston Reynolds
Address: 201 S. Broadway, suite 210, Little Rock, AR
Does (did) this attorney represent you? No If yes, when (month/year) was he/she hired? _____ 772c
What did you hire the attorney to do for you? _____

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Stark Ligon, Director
Arkansas Supreme Court Committee/Office on Professional Conduct
625 Marshall Street
Justice Building, Room 110
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-1022

Re: Grievance vs. Lloyd Warford and Gina Reynolds

Dear Mr. Ligon:

Late last year an affidavit was leaked to the media that had been submitted under seal to the Arkansas Supreme Court by Atty. Lloyd Warford, which he had actually written and signed in May 2008. It can be viewed at <http://www.downonthefarm.org/wm3hoax/board/index.php?topic=8888.0>

In it, Mr. Warford describes how in 1994, the man who was to become a juror (and eventually foreperson) of the trial of "West Memphis 3" defendants Damien Echols and Timothy Baldwin openly discussed with Mr. Warford his plans to infect the trial with his pre-determined conclusion of guilt, even, if necessary, bringing up the confession of the third defendant, Jessie Misskelley, that the man knew of from media reports but which was not admitted in the trial of Echols and Baldwin.

In the new "Paradise Lost" film on HBO, Mr. Warford, and his then-law clerk, now-attorney Gina Reynolds, are both interviewed and both emphatically assert that they were aware *beforehand* of the juror's plans and intentions. Yet, Mr. Warford waited 14 years to say anything (without explaining why he could not have taken the same steps he took in 2008, back in 1994), and Ms. Reynolds never said anything publicly until appearing in a movie.

Although Ark. Rule of Prof. Conduct 1.6 has no mandatory reporting requirement of lawyers even if such would prevent a client from committing a crime, Rule 8.4(d) prohibits a lawyer from "[e]ngag[ing] in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice." I submit that when a lawyer omits to take action on knowledge that a juror in a capital case plans to railroad the defendants, and waits 14 years to bring this up – especially in light of all that transpired in those 14 years in the WM3 case – that lawyer is engaging on conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice. It would not matter if the person was the lawyer's client or not.

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Indeed, that Mr. Warford ultimately concluded he could take the steps he did, with no imaginable reason why he could not have done so 14 years sooner, constitutes Mr. Warford's admission that he was in a position to prevent a travesty of justice, the harm of which goes far beyond the likely-wrong convictions.

Ms. Reynolds, who admitted being privy to the conversations between Mr. Warford and the juror, is in no different position.

I implore the Committee to find probable cause of "serious misconduct" as defined in section 17(B) of the Procedures of the Arkansas Supreme Court Regulating Professional Conduct of Attorneys at Law"

Serious misconduct is conduct in violation of the Rules that would warrant a sanction terminating or restricting the lawyer's license to practice law. Conduct will be considered serious misconduct if any of the following considerations apply:

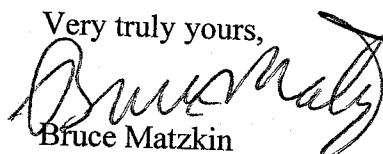
(2) The misconduct results in, or is likely to result in, substantial prejudice to a client or other person;

If Mr. Warford's statements in his affidavit are untrue or exaggerated, then he has likely perjured himself, and has also severely harmed the reputation of the jury foreperson. This would obviously violate other rules. But taking Mr. Warford at his word, he must be held accountable for violating Rule 8.4, so that other lawyers ever in the same situation will not fail to do the right thing as he did.

As for Ms. Reynolds, although she did not make any statements under oath (at least that are publicly known), she, too, as an aspiring member of the profession in 1994, was professionally, and morally, obligated to speak up. Certainly, once she became a member of the Bar in 1996 she should not have waited to be in front of movie cameras before coming forward with her knowledge. She, too, has violated Rule 8.4 and should be held accountable.

I can be reached any time at 203-605-2784.

Very truly yours,


Bruce Matzkin