Subject: Re: SBN 237990 -- Letter of Inquiry -- Office of Chief Trial Counsel, The State Bar of California (22-O-4464)
From: "Andrew G. Watters" <andrew@andrewwatters.com>
Date: 6/14/22, 11:57 AM
To: "Chen, Shine" <Shine.Chen@calbar.ca.gov>
CC: "Vogel, Jaime" <Jaime.Vogel@calbar.ca.gov>

Dear Ms. Chen,

Ms. Parviz and I started dating in April 2021 and were in a personal romantic relationship from April 2021 to early June 2021, when I ended the relationship due to her erratic, unstable, unreliable, and dishonest behavior.

I was never hired as her attorney. I tried to be charitable to her with her many legal problems by helping her out to the extent ethically permissible, since I was dating her. The legal help started ***after*** we started dating. Ms. Parviz is mentally ill and I have no idea what she might have said about me, but I categorically deny doing anything improper.

In response to your questions:

1. I was never hired as her attorney. To the extent I stated I was her "personal counsel," this was essentially for convenience instead of explaining "I'm helping my girlfriend out with her legal problems."

2. I did no actual legal work, nor was I paid anything; I simply helped out my then-girlfriend at her request to the extent possible, such as inquiring of the Texas social services agency about her estranged daughter. She extorted me into helping her with her legal problems by threatening to end the relationship if I didn't comply.

3. I do not discuss any even potentially confidential matter on my website. I talk about the relationship and the fact that she is a nine-time felon who impersonated a Harvard M.D./Ph.D. in order to seduce me, as well as her various crimes which are public record. The web page speaks for itself: https://www.andrewwatters.com/hall-of-shame/mahsa-parviz/

4. Ms. Parviz is incarcerated in Federal jail pending her sentencing hearing, and her location is freely available on the Bureau of Prisons website. There is nothing wrong with saying she is in Federal custody and headed to prison, which she absolutely is following her latest felonies. I do not disclose anything about her daughter's location on the web page.

5. There is no "file" as such, however, as Ms. Parviz requested, I reached out to the supposed attorney and offered him what information I had gathered. He said he didn't represent Ms. Parviz and he didn't respond to my subsequent email asking if he still wanted anything.

Ms. Parviz continues to harass me to the point of me planning a restraining order filing, and she is now extorting me into removing my web page about her by following through on her illegal threat to report me to the State Bar.

I ask that this be closed out as unfounded.

Best,

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On 6/14/22 11:40 AM, Chen, Shine wrote:

Dear Andrew G. Watters,

I am the investigator assigned to the above-captioned investigation filed by Mahsa Parviz.

Dr. Parviz informed us that she is your former client. On April 28, 2021, you wrote to Donna

Crosby, with the Texas Department of Insurance stating that you were Dr. Parviz's personal counsel and request that a TRO be enforced against Mr. Farahmand. Dr. Parviz states that you have a "hall of shame" section on your website, <u>www.andrewwatters.com</u> and you posted about her criminal matters. She states that on March 10, 2022, she asked you to email her file to her attorney, James Samuel Brocks. She also states that you are disclosing hers and her minor daughter's whereabouts and she is receiving death threats from Mr. Farahmand.

Please provide a response to these allegations via email to me at <u>Shine.Chen@calbar.ca.gov</u> and to the Deputy Trial Counsel supervising the investigation, Ms. Jaime Vogel at <u>Jaime.Vogel@calbar.ca.gov</u> no later than by the close of business on *_June 21, 2022_*.

1. What were you hired to do?

- 2. What work did you performed?
- 3. Please respond to Dr. Parviz's allegation that you are posting about her cases on your website.
- 4. Please respond to Dr. Parviz's allegation that you are disclosing the whereabouts of her and her minor daughter's location.
- 5. Have you forward a copy of Dr. Parviz's file to her new counsel? If you have, please provide the date. If not, please explain.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Shine Chen

Investigator, Office of Chief Trial Counsel

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