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WSBA Disciplinary Board  
c/o Julie Shankland, Clerk/Counsel  
Washington State Bar Association  
2101 - 4th Ave., 4th Floor  
Seattle, WA 98121-2330

Re: In re Douglas Schafer; Public No. 00#00031  
Corrections to Transcript of Disciplinary Board Hearing

Dear Disciplinary Board Members:

Yesterday I received from Ms. Shankland a copy of the transcript of the hearing on this matter that was held before the Disciplinary Board on January 12, 2001. The copy shows that the transcript was filed on February 7, 2001. Having now read the transcript, I feel that the following corrections must be brought to your attention and placed in the record so that neither you nor others who read the record will be misled.

On pages 3-4 of the transcript Mr. Douglas Smith reports his recollection of my phone conversation with him that occurred a year earlier, on January 20, 2000. His recollection that I had sought names, addresses, and phone numbers of Disciplinary Board members was faulty and is therefore misleading, perhaps to my detriment. Enclosed for the record is a copy of Ms. Shankland's letter of January 21, 2000, describing that phone conversation, as had just then been reported to her by Mr. Smith, and also a copy of my e-mail to her of January 27, 2000, responding to her letter.

On page 17, lines 19-24, Mr. Newman was mistaken in stating, "Remember, when he [Schafer] went public with the Declaration under penalty of perjury, that motivated an attorney here in Seattle to contact him and say, oh, by the way, Anderson is taking kickbacks from Hamilton in the form of payments for a Cadillac." First, Seattle attorney Camden Hall of Foster Pepper and Shefelman (then representing Anderson's divorcing wife, Diane) had contacted me on February 1, 1996 (weeks before I even drafted my Declaration on February 16, 1996) and disclosed, requesting anonymity, that Anderson's Cadillac acquisition and his handling of the Hoffman Estate both should be investigated. I had left a note on Diane Anderson's door the previous evening seeking to speak with her.

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Second, I never “went public” (whatever that means) with my Declaration in 1996 except for (1) including it in my Court of Appeals Petition for Discretionary Review that I filed on April 26, 1996, and (2) faxing selected pages from that filing, including the Declaration, to three newspapers, each of which ignored it.

On page 18, lines 13–14, the two references to “McKenna” should be corrected to “McKean,” the Gig Harbor lawyer who was getting unlawful kickbacks from Hamilton and others.

On page 28, line 12, “couldn’t” should be corrected to “could.” Whether I misspoke or the court reporter misheard, I do not know. But the sentence beginning on line 9 should correctly read, “I had a number of bits of information that there was a public hospital that appeared to be out well over a million dollars that it still could recover.”

Thank you for permitting me to correct the record and to call your attention to these corrections.

Very truly yours,

Douglas A. Schafer

Enclosures

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