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NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF INFORMAL COMPLAINT

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Re: File No. 5953-SE-1602 Complaint of Robert Drake against Joseph F. Larson II

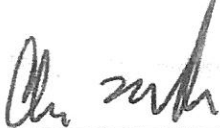
The Inquiry Committee Southeast of the State Bar Association met on May 5, 2016, in Fargo, North Dakota. The above file was considered at that meeting.

The Committee found that Attorney Joseph F. Larson II violated Rule 4.4 of the North Dakota Rules of Professional Responsibility by using an implied threat and/or intimidation to obtain confidential and irrelevant information for purposes of harassing and embarrassing Mr. Drake. The Committee determined that discipline in the form of an admonition is appropriate. Therefore, Attorney Larson is hereby issued an ADMONITION by the Inquiry Committee Southeast.

Please be advised that, under Rule 3.1(D)(8) of the North Dakota Rules for Lawyer Discipline, you may appeal this determination to the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court by filing a written request for review with Disciplinary Counsel at the letterhead address within 30 days of mailing.

The determination of the Disciplinary Board may then be the subject of a petition for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court. The rule provides that leave will not be granted unless the complainant shows that the board acted arbitrarily, capriciously, or unreasonably.

Dated this 28th day of June, 2016.

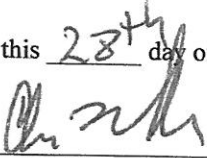


Christopher M. McShane, Chair
Inquiry Committee Southeast

pc: Penny Miller, Secretary, Disciplinary Board
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that this document was mailed to the address shown above on this 28th day of June, 2016.



Christopher M. McShane