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Mr. Keith L. Sellen
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Re: Grievance Against Joseph Sommers

Dear Mr. Sellen:

I am hereby submitting a grievance against Attorney Joseph Sommers (hereinafter "Sommers") for having violated SCR 20:8.4(g) which provides that a violation of the attorney's oath is misconduct. The rule specifically states that: "It is professional misconduct to violate the attorney's oath." The attorney's oath states, in relevant part, at SCR 40.15: "I will maintain the respect due to courts of justice and judicial officers."

In a press release issued today, Sommers made the following statement:

Mitch Henck, one of the premier names in Wisconsin talk radio endorsed (on the air) Joe Sommers for the Wisconsin Supreme Court. This continues the trend transcending the political spectrum in realizing that our judicial system must be foremost about justice. The priority of justice appears to have little place in the campaigns of either Annette Ziegler or Linda Clifford. Both have shown no willingness to discuss the critical issues of: 1) the growing indifference to wrongful convictions; 2) prosecutors and judges acting above the law; 3) prosecutions commenced as favors; and 4) what is really behind ever-expanding litigation.

Unfortunately, much of the Wisconsin media appears like-minded. Those who want to find out what the media is withholding should visit www.SommersForSupremeCourt.com. Here you can learn, among other things:

How innocent defendants plead out every day in Wisconsin courts, and to how judges are permitted to get away with falsifying the record.

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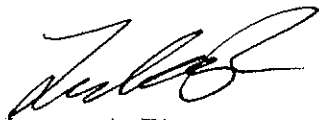
Sommers' website neither substantiates his claim that innocent defendants plead out every day in Wisconsin courts, nor explains how judges are permitted to get away with falsifying the record.

Sommers has made an unsubstantiated attack on the courts of this state and its judges by categorically stating that judges are accepting guilty pleas from innocent defendants and that judges are liars. Such statements are designed deliberately to undermine public confidence in the judiciary. A public attack of this sort on the integrity of the courts is prohibited by the attorney's oath and is a violation of SCR 20:8.4.

The full text of Sommers' media release is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

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