

BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

**IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER OF THE
STATE BAR OF ARIZONA**

**ALEXIS MARIE LINDVALL
Bar No. 034734,**

Respondent.

PO No. 2024-013

PROTECTIVE ORDER

[State Bar File: 24-0341]

MAY 1, 2024

The State Bar of Arizona filed a Request for Protective Order Sealing the Record on April 15, 2024. No objection was received. Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED granting the request.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Complainant's login credentials for her medical records and email communications with former counsel be sealed and kept confidential from the public pursuant to Rule 70(g), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

Sealed material may be opened, viewed, and utilized in these proceedings by the parties, the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the hearing panel, the Attorney Discipline Probable Cause Committee, and the Supreme Court of Arizona. Otherwise, sealed material may be accessed only by order of the committee, the presiding disciplinary judge, a hearing panel, or the court pursuant to Rule 70(g), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

DATED this 1st day of May, 2024.

Margaret H. Downie
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Presiding Disciplinary Judge

Original filed this 1st day of
May, 2024, with:

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Sandra Montoya

From: Mandy Fitzgerald
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 3:45 PM
To: Presiding Disciplinary Judge Office
Cc: amwood11@asu.edu; LR Court Filings; Lori Palmer; Amy Rehm; Reid Potter
Subject: PO Request & Order File #24-0341
Attachments: Protective Order Request and Order.pdf; Protective Order .docx

Good Afternoon,

Attached for filing today is a Request for Protective Order Sealing the Record.

A Word version of the Proposed Order is also attached.

Thank you,



Mandy Fitzgerald, Intake Legal Secretary

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**REQUEST FOR PROTECTIVE
ORDER SEALING THE RECORD**

State Bar File: 24-0341

The State Bar of Arizona, through undersigned counsel, hereby forwards to the Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona (PDJ), Bar Counsel's Request for Protective Order, pursuant to Rule 70(g) of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

Bar Counsel requests that the following information be sealed from the public:

- Complainant's initial charge, "Immediate Assistance and Guidance Needed in Response to Ethical Concerns and Intimidation in Legal Case" received via email on Sunday, January 7, 2024 at 9:59 AM,

contains Complainant's login credentials (username, password, and hyperlink) to medical records.

- Attachments in Complainant's initial charge: 12-29-23 conversation with Lexi Lindvall (recorded conversation), 1-2-24 – Lexi's withdrawal, Owens, Letter to Laura (1), 12-31-23 – email to Lexi addressing any concerns, 12-27-23 – Lexi pressure to sign affidavit, 1-5-24 correspondence with Lindvall & Woodnick, the email communications are between Complainant, Shane Ross, and Alexis (Lexi) Lindvall, Complainant's former counsel. Complainant asserts these communications are confidential and protected by attorney-client privilege.

The reason for sealing the information is that the Complainant provided information in her initial charge that may be considered "individually identifiable health information" (PHI) pursuant to the HIPAA Privacy Rule, specifically login credentials that would access Complainant's medical records. Additionally, the information shared in the email correspondence between Complainant and her former counsel would be confidential per ER 1.6 and also includes Complainant's login credentials to medical records. The State Bar requests that the request be granted.

A proposed Protective Order is attached as Exhibit A.

DATED this 15th day of April, 2024.

STATE BAR OF ARIZONA

/s/Reid P. Potter
Reid P Potter
Intake Bar Counsel

Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk of
the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge
of the Supreme Court of Arizona
this 15th day of April, 2024.

Copy of the foregoing emailed
this 15th day of April, 2024, to:

The Honorable Margaret H. Downie
Presiding Disciplinary Judge
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by:/s/Mandy Fitzgerald
RPP/mf

EXHIBIT A

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The Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona having reviewed Bar Counsel's Request for Protective Order and there being no objection by the State Bar, accordingly:

IT IS ORDERED Bar Counsel's request for Protective Order is granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Complainant's login credentials for her medical records and email communication with former counsel be sealed and kept confidential from the public pursuant to Rule 70(g), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

Pre-complaint orders sealing material do not seal such material post-complaint if the material is sought to be used or referred to in subsequent pleadings or in any hearing. In such circumstance, the parties are reminded a formal request for protective order with specificity must be filed with the material sought to be sealed and submitted for in-camera review.

Sealed material shall be opened and viewed only by an order of the committee, the presiding disciplinary judge, a hearing panel, the board or the court for use by such body and the parties in pending proceedings, and otherwise only upon notice to and an opportunity to be heard by the parties and the witness or other person who is the subject of the information. A party aggrieved by an order relating to a request for a protective order may seek review by filing a petition for special action with the court.

DATED this _____ day of April, 2024.

**Margaret H. Downie,
Presiding Disciplinary Judge**

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From: Reid Potter
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 3:20 PM
To: amwood11@asu.edu
Subject: SBA File 24-0341
Attachments: Immediate Assistance and Guidance Needed in Response to Ethical Concerns and Intimidation in Legal Case

The State Bar recently received a bar charge against you. A copy of the bar charge is attached. I have determined that further investigation is not warranted at this time and our file has been closed. The charge is dismissed.

Pursuant to Rule 70(a)(4), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., the record of this charge will be public for six months from the date of this email. This charge has no adverse impact on your standing with the State Bar. The record shows a consumer charge that was dismissed. Pursuant to Rule 71, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., the State Bar file may be expunged in three years.



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From: [Laura Owens](#)
To: [RCwebsite](#)
Subject: Immediate Assistance and Guidance Needed in Response to Ethical Concerns and Intimidation in Legal Case
Date: Sunday, January 7, 2024 10:02:31 AM

Dear Arizona State Bar,

I am writing to you under circumstances of extreme urgency and distress, relating to my ongoing paternity case and the conduct of two attorneys, Mr. Gregg Woodnick and Ms. Lexi Lindvall. Due to the immediate nature of the issues at hand, particularly an upcoming deposition on the 17th, I am unable to follow the standard procedure for filing a formal claim and thus seek your immediate intervention via this communication.

Background: My paternity case, involving Mr. Clayton Echard, was initially heading towards dismissal after my miscarriage, with both parties self-represented. However, the trajectory of the case shifted drastically when Mr. Woodnick entered the case as soon as it appeared on the dismissal calendar. His involvement, seemingly motivated by a personal vendetta against me based on a prior case, has added a contentious and distressing dimension to the proceedings. In a call that I am attaching, Ms. Lindvall explains to me after her first phone call with Mr. Woodnick that this case is "personal" for him and describes how he and his co-counsel, Isabel Raney, were yelling at her on the phone.

Context of Innocence and Ethical Implications of Ms. Lindvall's Actions:

I have provided incontrovertible evidence of my pregnancy to Ms. Lindvall, including access to my Banner Health Patient Portal. Despite this, she pressured me to sign a statement falsely declaring that I was never pregnant with Mr. Echard's child. This demand for perjury, which I repeatedly refused in our attached call conversation, represents a clear ethical violation, particularly under Rule 1.2(d) (Scope of Representation and Allocation of Authority Between Client and Lawyer). She also encouraged me to sign the same affidavit after that conversation in the attached email correspondence. Her insistence on this false declaration and her subsequent decision to withdraw under threat of a Rule 3.3 filing have left me in a vulnerable state without representation when there are many filings that need to be responded to very soon.

Additional Ethical Violations by Ms. Lindvall:

Rule 1.4 (Communication): Her failure to properly communicate the implications and alternatives to her withdrawal and the advice she provided might also constitute a violation of the duty to communicate effectively with a client.

Rule 1.16 (Declining or Terminating Representation): Her decision to withdraw from representation seems to conflict with the responsibilities outlined in this rule, particularly in ensuring that the client is not unfairly impacted by the withdrawal.

Mr. Woodnick's Unwillingness to Allow Extension as a Potential Violation: Mr. Woodnick's refusal to grant an extension for the deposition, especially given the pending motion to dismiss and the motion to quash the deposition, may constitute a violation under Rule 3.4(d) (Fairness to Opposing Party and Counsel). This refusal has obstructed my ability to secure new legal representation, further disadvantaging me in this case. I have interviewed several attorneys who would love to take on the case but are unable to simply because of the tight deadlines that Ms. Lindvall has left me with to respond to numerous motions and Mr. Woodnick's refusal to extend any of them. One of the potential attorneys I spoke to said that I should reach out to the AZ Bar for assistance.

Ethical Violations by Mr. Gregg Woodnick:

Concerns Under Rule 3.4(d) (Fairness to Opposing Party and Counsel): His refusal to grant an extension for the deposition, especially with the pending motions to dismiss and to quash the deposition, has significantly disadvantaged me in securing new legal representation.

Rule 8.4 (Misconduct): Mr. Woodnick's conduct, particularly his refusal to provide extensions and his aggressive communication, might be construed as conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Potential Violation of Rule 4.4(a) (Respect for Rights of Third Persons): The aggressive and personal nature of Mr. Woodnick's communication appears to be aimed more at harassing and intimidating me than at any legitimate legal strategy.

Fear and Panic Regarding the Upcoming Deposition: The prospect of facing a four-hour deposition without legal representation is daunting. Given the emotionally charged nature of this case, including the context of my miscarriage, I am deeply concerned that this deposition is being used as a tool for further intimidation and harassment.

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Urgent Request for Guidance:

To demonstrate my innocence and refute claims that I have falsified a pregnancy, I am providing the login information to my Banner Health Patient Portal, where evidence of my pregnancy confirmation in June is available.

Given the immediate nature of this situation, I am seeking advice on immediate steps I can take to address these issues and secure my legal rights, particularly concerning Mr. Woodnick's

refusal to provide extensions.

I appreciate your prompt attention and await your guidance on navigating these challenging circumstances.

Sincerely,



Laura Owens

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