

# Exhibit G

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The record - in no small part

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John

In our call following government day Thursday in our County Clerk's office, I suggested a course. You rejected that course. It remains open here.

Among others, there are three items we have reviewed: original invoices, that submitted to the court, a line by line comparison.

Certain questions that relate to dates and the process, dates of certain information submitted to the Court, and the process by which you address proposed compensation are of interest here.

Those studying - with experience - stand in awe. None has experienced what they see.

We have given thought to CASP and your behavior there - in concert with government. I gather that's unique, too.

You said you were conflicted. I have since read Judge Meyer. What you sought to obliterate, and that record which caused the Court to create the record you and the AG attacked, is in focus. Together, this is your record here.

Other counsel have and will review the foregoing and will review the letter attached here and other material. None are retained.

In our last, I mentioned again that in August or September of 2007, I posted The New York Times article of Adam Liptak, August 27, featuring the two papers The Times carried there. The message in 2007 and now is directed at our experience with you and government. As I see things, you are paired in your desire to send the message: do not take on the APA/AG.

These items are posted at APPEAL at <http://sblewis.com> - and were posted for a reason. I mentioned them to you and to Jacob at that time. That web site was established to tell the tale - and is a work in progress.

Not that we know - but I'd guess most understand and are familiar with the APA/AG/civil defense of a North Country client syndrome detailed in Judge Meyer's rulings - those you have sought with the AG's office to expunge from the record.

We have a different view. We believe Judge Meyer scoped out that which he did not see - and erupted.

I did not reject settlement when I declined your demand that I allow you to provoke Judge Meyer into a three party settlement - to obliterate the people's record. I came to this party with a purpose. Thwarting that purpose is not where this is going.

There is a continuum here. It's seamless, and Judge Meyer reached his view with a careful look at what I saw early. He acted as and when he acted. I acted when it became apparent.

This case is a case that was provoked for a purpose. I made that clear. To state the obvious, farm use structures are not single family residences, though they are. That argument was rejected by Kevin Ryan and accepted by Judge Meyer. It was clear - and is clear: I said, case over when Judge Meyer became our judge.

Judge Meyer's fury was inspired by your behavior. If you do not have a seat or a place to speak when seeking to intervene, ask why. You asked me to come to support you in your quest to intervene on Lake Placid. I did not come. Did you think to ask yourself why?

Do you think Judge Meyer's view differs from ours?

Federal judge Dennis Jacobs got there with help from Professor Barton. They talked before Judge Jacobs wrote.

I doubt Judge Jacobs had the APA/AG in focus. I did. Judge Meyer understands what APA/AG and private counsel do with the interests of North Country people. It's the process of the environmental division of the AG's office, where you were trained.

I have asked for the set of all email and others that accompany your interchange in these matters with the AG's office. We do not have it all.

I refer specifically to that which resulted in a meeting of the minds between you and Julie Sheridan... regarding the wish to quash Judge Meyer's record and ours, and the process that led you to say she required your presence in E-town with her. She came willingly and gave me the check after the signing. I did not ask for the check. Not a word came from me. She did not give the check to Martina. Julie Sheridan gave it to me. There was a purpose in that gesture and she asked me to arrest the press from taking her picture. I failed.

How did the decision come to pass between you and government that conflicted you? Over what time frame - in what conversations - with what record? This was not a casual undertaking. It was purposeful and devious. You had no authority from me to discuss any such thing with the government. You did not ask, yet you negotiated a process that blew up in your face - and government's face. Government got smeared. Government flipped.

And you write long letters exclaiming our friendship.

Ironic. You have invoiced me and Barbara as your best friends. Then, trashed by the court, you seek to partner with our enemy to vacate the crushing opinion that acknowledges your actions with a body slam. You call Judge Meyer abusive. Is that not what he's called you and government?

Finding agreement between government and civil counsel to nullify three decisions for the benefit of each

to the detriment of the clients' cause is without precedent in my experience. So say others.

How about yours? Who started with this concept, you or Julie Sheridan? Whose idea was this?

When did you decide not to tell detail this process and spring it on me at the CASP meeting?

Why was that dialogue segmented?

You said there was a catch. A first of two.

Your first 'catch' was tell the judge *after* payment; your second 'catch' was a *three party settlement*, which I rejected. To which you responded, *you are rejecting the settlement.*

*I created the settlement. I created a two party settlement. I rejected a three party settlement - and you.*

Litigation, in my experience, is a unique event. No two are the same. We've had experience. We've had many kinds.

I have found none enjoyable.

This case was created for a purpose - and your actions confirm part of that purpose.

We have found truly honest counsel. We have found the other kind.

Email to Martina comes to me. Martina does not speak for me - nor does she wish to do so at this time. She is able to speak for herself - and for us and the farm, at will. But not without my authority.

Barbara and I have endured this process - and no part of it is without consequence. In the experience of those consulted, our reaction to you is justified. More than justified.

You originally said you wished to obliterate APA. As that was never our objective, I stated our course.

You did not suggest that by your billings and in reaction to the court you would seek to obliterate us and our record.

Sandy

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Sandy and Barbara:

Sandy's suggestion today that the Farm wishes to either negotiate my bill or fight about it knocked me to the floor.

In the wake of our final and decisive victory, I am suddenly told that I have been preyed upon in my professional trust. In thirty-three years of practice, this has never happened to me.

Yesterday I mentioned to Louise that it was time to go north and have dinner and celebrate a victory and perhaps chat with Marco in Italian. Needless to say, this dispute has become part of her life, too, given her tolerance of many discussions in cars, at home and elsewhere as the Farm and I worked together over the years.

We have achieved a lot together. We have maintained mutual respect and perhaps more. I have expected and hoped for a life long friendship with you. I have been attentive and responsive to the Farm's needs at the drop of a hat. You have expressed pride and gratitude for my work. I have done all that the Farm has asked and there is an endless paper trail of your commentary on my superb work--to me and to the world. You have also repeatedly acknowledged Jake's good work and patience.

Our professional work has been successful. I hung in there with the Farm through every tough moment. You never could have gotten this representation out of anyone else for less than twice the bills I have presented.

I obtained a judgment for \$72,000 for a portion of the fees and expenses. The Farm never expected or counted on this windfall going in to the dispute. I created this judgment for you, which extended your goal of proving the Agency wrong.

In the past, you paid every bill to the dime. I trusted this pattern. You have signed affidavits saying that you were responsible for my bill in this case. We hold the truth inviolate, as do you.

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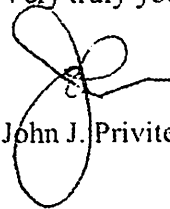
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I have never lied on a bill or inflated a bill. I have occasionally reduced relatively small bills for people who cannot afford my representation. I have done hundreds of hours of pro bono work for the impoverished. But I have never had a client of means demand a reduction in my bill.

I hope to read an honorable word from the Farm upon my return.

Congratulations on the victory and all that it stands for in the North Country and for the Farm.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Privitera". The signature is stylized with a large loop and a horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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JJP/kth