

Testimony Before The House of Representatives Judicial Committee
on Injustices Within the Family Court System, Sept. 11, 1991, by

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Family Court is a misnomer for meat grinder, from what I have seen of the process and as reported to us at the Common Law Network of which I am the founder. We are only one of an ever increasing number of grass roots organizations attempting to protect citizens from abuse of a legal system that has been commercialized to the point it can best seize control and assets of any individual, corporation, or democratic institution while utterly failing to protect the public treasury against plundering by supposed civil servants, officials, bankers, and regulators. Divorce, custody, and family matters no longer have any legitimate reason to be ground up in such a merciless mechanism that promotes lawyer profits at the expense of family incomes savings and lives. The system must be opened up to panels of parents who could judge more fairly, without profit motive, and without the inbred conflict of interest that today renders divorce court such a threat to children and adults alike, that no young couple would ever undertake the vows of marriage if they knew beforehand the open invitation for court corruption to take over their personal lives.

This is an historic hearing, and one of the first attempts for the legislature, and the people, to regain their right to government by the people that has been usurped by an out of control judicial branch that will reach 1 million members by the year 2000 and is costing the economy \$300 billion a year in direct and indirect expense, with little or no justice to anyone.

To provide a background for my Testimony to this honorable committee, I will give a glimpse of my 11 years of experience with the court system, just to sketch the landscape of interconnected public and private institutions that conspire (sometime unwittingly) to exert a unified front against all those who seek justice or dare attempt social reform. This committee will want to be aware of the obstruction of justice created by the legal system itself as in the case of victims of basic stock market fraud who are directed around and around in an endless circle from the Security Exchange Commission, to the National Association of Security Dealers, and to the Pennsylvania Security Commission, being told by each they are not responsible, go to the next agency, and finally that private action by a hired lawyer is the only recourse. I have done all this, and hired lawyers to do what paid regulators refused to do, only to be thwarted again by the ultimate fraud, state licensed and condoned legal malpractice. Obstruction of justice by the Lawyer Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Courts of all states, not just Pennsylvania, which turn their backs on the constitutional rights of the public and completes the crime of financial fraud by covering up legal

fraud, is the bottom line defeater of the American way of life that other countries once aspired to. It is a well rehearsed and vicious circle that no longer fools anyone, and this committee cannot ignore it.

My mother and I were robbed of \$150,00 by Prudential Bache Securities in Phila. in 1980/81 and have been confronted by a rigged court system that has enslaved us ever since, literally taking everything I can ever hope to earn in legal fees, with my own attorneys being in league with the defendants, and the judges involved in political alliances as well as in the stock market, competing with the public against all scruples of fair play.

My original attorney, the Alan Fellheimer, Eichen & Goodman, Company, admitted after 5 months to having business with Prudential and turned us over to an even worse attorney, Steven M. Kramer from whom I have suffered 3 libel SLAPP suits when court documents support my complaint that he spoiled my case, and had connections to the underworld. Judge John Fullam himself criticized the lawyer for not assisting in allied cases and denied him legal fees he demanded. Some 10 cases in federal court bear his name as counsel, or party to, cases from which he made a \$90,000 contingency fee from laundered cocaine profits in the infamous Larry Lavin Yuppy Drug Ring of the early 80's. He has multiple sanctions from judges, dozens of court judgments and tax liens, and his records and accounts seized by the IRS, and yet Paul Burgoyne, enforcement officer for the Disciplinary Board continues to protect the outrageous conduct, while the Supreme Court issues certificates of good standing. This is the same Steven Kramer that hit Armstrong World Industries of Lancaster with a \$238 million jury judgment by making inflammatory and improper remarks to the jury in Newark, NJ and which verdict was later thrown out by Judge Bissel.

Despite the evidence of Lawyer Kramer's malpractice, lies, perjury, forgery, and predictability in suing his own clients, Judge James Giles of the federal court, apparently relying on the artificial reputation provided by the Pennsylvania Supreme court, has found me guilty per se, seized my business, house, my assets, bank accounts, cut off my income, took my mother's savings, and defamed me by forcing me to send out untrue letters that he dictated. Sadistic judges frustrate the most professionally qualified attorneys, rendering their practice costly and ineffective. Of course I want this committee to investigate the collusion that naturally emanates from monopoly and the abuse of process that is Mr. Kramer's trade and practice.

But I am here today to testify in behalf of a desperate client who came to me at the Common Law Network who had been told a contract was out on his life because he filed a complaint against a family court judge.

I now want to read you the second of two complaints, time permitting, I will submit copies of both.

I now want to play a tape of my interview with Richard Teal, time permitting, I will submit copies of tapes.

And of course I want this committee to impanel a grand jury, subpoena Richard Teal's case (Biggs v. Teal Family Court 1801 Vine, Phila. 82-14453) and investigate fully the circumstances behind his murder on October 16th, 1990. Copies of these complaints, and tapes were given to Ron Castile, Phila. D.A. and to TV Channel 10, Harvey Clark who covered Judge Stephen Levin's ad publishing the names of 142 fathers who he would jail if they did not appear in his court on 15 Dec 89.

More hearings must be held on the manipulation of all the trial courts in Phila., Common Pleas, Municipal and Traffic, and they must be held on Phila., on a regular basis, and coordinated with the new Chief Administrator, Geoff Gallas who takes over 1 Dec 91

These experiences are first hand; I have the only free and unbiased legal complaint hotline in the Delaware Valley, I am a consumer rights activist and participate in public events, I know what is going on, and here is what the smart money is saying: Reform is hopeless, don't worry about what is drug money and what is not, everything is a racket, take the money and run, hide your assets and don't take on the judges, you will only be sued and lose what you have. These smart money handlers spell out the future: business off the books, no critical evaluation of courts, law profession, or corporations, and, consequently, less tax revenues, greater deficits, more inflation, and eventually, default on state and municipal bonds.

Libel SLAPP suits violate the first amendment right of free speech and we saw it used by Judge McDermott against the Inquirer last Thanksgiving before a woefully incompetent jury that returned an illogical and preposterous verdict of guilty in the amount of \$6 million when the facts, they admitted, were true! The public cannot risk any kind of suit and is stunned into frozen silence by this kind of judicial violence - and it happens routinely right here in the state that gave birth to the Bill of Rights. We may never know how many times a day the threat is made by those of power to sue for libel, but we organizers know how it utterly defeats democratic action and disperses potential members and willing contributors. The legal system has developed a self-protective mechanism that has defeated the free market system that is so vital to growth, strength and rejuvenation of the country's economy.

It is time for the legislature to come to grips with a judicial branch that has grown out of all proportion to its originally intended purpose and which is literally devouring other governmental and commercial institutions. It is wrong to have lawyers, officers of the court, serving in the legislature as well as in the courts and this conflict of interests must end. Legislators must re-exert their authority over judges and this very committee is the only vehicle for a rebirth of justice; the American Bar Association will not voluntarily give up its profitable monopoly,

and the Judicial Discipline reform that was supposed to be on this November's ballot was dismissed with a wave of the hand by lawyers and judges simply by having their own court (Commonwealth Court) overrule it despite the public's concern, hard work and outcry. The myth of life-time tenure must be dispelled; a judge should serve only his term of good behavior, and a public record must be made of all his cases; decisions and opinions should be constantly reviewed and commented upon by his peers and public.

In closing I have several specific remedies that can be immediately implemented:

1. A free index for Phila. courts (C.P., Mun. & Traffic).
2. Public access to lawyer complaint records.
3. Financial disclosures for lawyers and Judges.
4. No judge should compete with the general public by holding stock (it is a conflict of interest and conduit for graft).
5. Family matters to be decided by panels of masters made up of other individuals already adjudicating domestic matters.
6. Everyone should be permitted to defend themselves in court, or bring a complaint (presently, lawyer costs drive perfectly valid issues out of court, off the record, and out of sight, creating an underground legal and financial economy.)

Thank you for your attention; but prepare to act soon; take your first action by the end of this month, bonds will be defaulting by year end and a legal system generally regarded as corrupt will not command enough confidence to keep the collapse from becoming absolute. Time is short, the ball is in your court, the legal profession can no more correct itself than the most skilled doctor could give himself minor heart surgery: you must do it for them; and I think in the end they will be grateful for your initiative, wisdom and action. Lets start weeding the garden, and cutting out the dead wood; lets be honest that unethical conduct within the legal system constitutes the highest of crimes; lets have the courage to do what we know is our duty, and take destiny back into our hands.

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RE: JUDGE LEVINE -

THESE ARE SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS, WHICH HAVE SOME
BELIEVABILITY - WE MET RICHARD TEAL AND HE
WAS A BRIGHT, INTELLIGENT YOUNG MAN WHO
HAD CHILD PORNOGRAPHY PICTURES HE SIZED FROM
A RING USING HIS HOUSE (BABY SITTER MAYBE INVOLVED
WHEN HE RETURNED EARLY FROM A BUSINESS TRIP.

I JUST SPOKE TO HIS WIFE - HE HAS
GONE DEAF IN THE LAST 2 WEEKS.

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT THIS SITUATION? RSV

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HE HAS GONE DEAF.

WHAT CAN WE DO ?

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12-16-89

RE: CLOSED COURT FOR 142 FATHERS
15 DEC 89, "JAIL IF NO SHOW"

WE ATTENDED YOUR FRIDAY 15 DEC 89 TRIALS, AS YOU
ADVERTISED IN 11 DEC 89 PHILA. DAILY NEWS, AND WERE
SURPRISED TO LEARN, THAT:

- YOUR "TRIALS" WERE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
- THEY WERE NOT OPEN TO THE PRESS.
- THERE WAS NO GENERAL PRESS CONFERENCE (YOU SELECTED SOME).
- MOST OF THE DEFENDANTS, (YOUNG FATHERS) HAD NO COUNSEL, OR FRIEND.
- NONE OF THE PLAINTIFFS WERE QUESTIONED.
- 89 YOUNG FATHERS WILL GO TO JAIL? (142 - 53 = 89) ?
- ONLY YOU CAN PUBLICIZE WHAT YOU WISH, DEFENDANTS CAN'T SEND FRIEND TO LOOK AT THEIR RECORDS.
- ASSUMING EA. WANTED A LAWYER WHO WORKED JUST 10 HRS @ \$125, YOUR THREAT OF JAIL CAUSED A THEORETICAL \$177,500 DEMAND FOR THE PHILA. BAR ASSOC., MONEY FOR LAWYERS, NOT CHILDREN.

WE URGE YOU TO OPEN YOUR COURT AS THE STATE CONSTITUTION REQUIRES.

IN A SEPARATE LTR I'M ASKING YOU ABOUT THE RICHARD TEAL
ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND JUDICIAL CORRUPTION

YOUR COMMENTS, PLEASE.

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RE: RICHARD TEAL
SUBT: CHILD PORNOGRAPHY WITH
POLICE & COURT OFFICIALS

AN APPEAL FOR HELP WAS RECEIVED HERE LAST WEEK, FROM RICHARD TEAL, WHICH I HAD HIM REPEAT ON TAPE BECAUSE JUDGES ARE IMPLICATED IN MISBEHAVIOR FOR WHICH THEY CAN BE BLACK MAILED.

ON MONDAY 11 DEC 89 WE INTERVIEWED RICHARD TEAL AT THE METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL. 8TH FLOOR, AND RECORDED HIS SHOCKING STORY HOW HE SURPRISED A PEDOPHILE RING MAKING VIDEO MOVIES IN HIS HOUSE WHEN HE RETURNED EARLY FROM A BUSINESS TRIP. THE MAN IS PERFECTLY RATIONAL & EVEN DELIGHTFUL, YET YOU HAVE HIM COMMITTED TO A PSYCHIATRIC WARD INSTEAD OF INVESTIGATING A SERIOUS CORRUPTION OF THE COURT SYSTEM, IF EVEN HALF OF WHAT HE SAYS IS TRUE. PLEASE INVESTIGATE & REPORT IT.

ONE THING I FEEL CERTAIN OF, RICHARD TEAL, DOES NOT BELONG IN A PSYCHIATRIC WARD, AND WE'D LIKE TO SEE HIS COURT RECORDS. WHERE ARE THOSE TAPES NOW? WHO ARE THE CHILDREN? WHERE ARE THEY?

THE PRESS, D.A., & U.S. ATTY HAVE COPIES OF WHAT HE TOLD US. I ASSUME YOUR PROVE OF HIS "MISIMPRESSIONS" ARE ON RECORD.

RSVP

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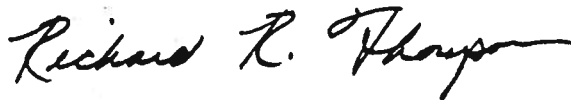
Dear Ms. Boubion,

As per our conversation, I have enclosed the tape of my conversation with Richard Teal of 12/11/89. I have also enclosed a brief summary of the items mentioned on the tape. However, please listen to the tape yourself and contact Mr. Teal so that you will get the most accurate information.

The opinions and beliefs expressed by Mr. Teal on the tape and summarized on paper do not represent those of myself or the Common Law Network. However, we feel it is our civic duty to forward this to the media, for if it is true, it represents a horror that must be stopped.

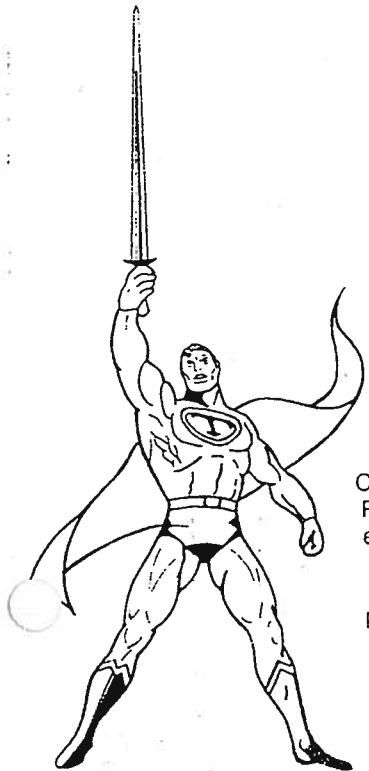
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Sincerely,



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