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Reference: **Thomas C. 'Doc' Miller, Esq. – Brown Investigation 03-03413**
Reg. No. 22652

Greetings Mr. Sapakoff,

I am the "Steve Gartin" spoken of by both Kevin Brown and "Doc" Miller in this grievance. At the time I made the enclosed agreement with Thomas C. Miller, Esquire: B.A.R. registration number 22652, I did not know, nor understand, the concept of "*fee splitting with a layman*". In due diligence I have come to understand that the practice of "*fee splitting*" with laymen is frowned upon by the Ethical rules, or the Ethical Canons, and the Rules of Professional conduct (*in the spirit of its present incarnation*). I offered to work for \$25 per hour, but Attorney Miller insisted upon 10% of the gross income of his law practice.

Nonetheless, my experience with Thomas C. Miller, Esquire causes me to believe that he would not "self-report" such a violation. Certainly, he has not reported a plethora of violations of which I'm already aware, and a separate investigation is on-going at present.

I worked as a para-legal for Thomas C. Miller, Esquire for almost two years and observed conduct that shocks the conscience of any reasonable person and brings opprobrium on the profession. Doc Miller is the sort that inspires distrust in the Legal Profession, and he has such a history going back to his law school and brief stint as a private investigator.

I worked on the Kevin Brown case and personally observed the unprofessional conduct that Mr. Brown complains of in his grievance.

Therefore, I enclose a copy of my civil suit against Thomas C. Miller as evidence that Mr. Miller's conduct constitutes a continuing pattern of abuse of his position of power and respect as a B.A.R. attorney.

Sincerely,



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