The Enos Law Firm, P.C.

17207 Feather Craft Lane Webster, Texas 77598 Telephone: (281) 333-3030 Facsimile: (281) 488-7775

E-mail: greg.enoslaw@gmail.com



Greg B. Enos, Attorney & Mediator

"Helping families through tough times"

September 3, 2014

Ms. Terese Buess Public Integrity Unit Harris County District Attorney's Office 1201 Franklin, 6th Fl. Houston, TX 77002

Re: Criminal complaint against 311th District Judge Alicia Franklin

Dear Ms. Buess:

cc:

Here we go again. I attach documents relating to Judge Alicia Franklin and false pay vouchers she submitted to the county for work she did as a lawyer appointed on CPS cases. You do not know how badly I want the suspicion disproved that she committed the crime of tampering with a government record. I like Judge Franklin and find it hard to believe she could do such a thing, but I am providing you 100% provable facts that sadly suggest otherwise.

I strongly urge District Attorney Devon Anderson to recuse herself and ask for the appointment of a prosecutor pro tem because Ms. Anderson is running on the same Republican ticket as Ms. Franklin and some other judges involved in this CPS appointment scandal. I really hope that Ms. Franklin has not committed a crime, but the public needs an independent prosecutor to tell us that. The secret deal to allow Judge Pratt to resign instead of being prosecuted, which Ms. Anderson at first denied, is another reason why I feel an independent prosecutor should look into these allegations about yet another Republican judge (and Pratt's replacement).

Sincerely,

Greg B. Eno

Judge Alicia Franklin, 311th District Court

The Enos Law Firm, P.C.

17207 Feather Craft Lane Webster, Texas 77598 Telephone: (281) 333-3030 Facsimile: (281) 488-7775

E-mail: greg.enoslaw@gmail.com



Greg B. Enos, Attorney & Mediator

"Helping families through tough times"

September 8, 2014

Ms. Terese Buess Public Integrity Unit Harris County District Attorney's Office 1201 Franklin, 6th Fl. Houston, TX 77002

Sent Via Certified Mail, RRR 7012 1010 0001 2687 1612

Re:

Criminal complaint against 311th District Judge Alicia Franklin

Dear Ms. Buess:

I have not received any response from you regarding my letter and criminal complaint sent to you last week via e-mail. I attach documents relating to Judge Alicia Franklin and false pay vouchers she submitted to the county for work she did as a lawyer appointed on CPS cases:

- 1. My letter to you of September 3, 2014.
- 2. Article: Alicia Franklin Submitted CPS Pay Vouchers to Harris County That Simply Cannot be True
- 3. Legal article that explains why an attorney ad litem cannot bill the county for work done by others.
- 4. Proof that Franklin billed for more than 32.25 hours on March 20, 2013 plus also billed for five CPS court appearances. On that one day, March 20, 2013, Franklin billed 28.50 hours on CPS cases and 3.75 hours on a private amicus case plus she billed the county for a CPS trial and 4 non-trial court appearances. On CPS cases, attorneys are paid by the hour for out of court work but paid a flat rate for in-court appearances. They are paid a little more for trials.

I obtained all of Ms. Franklin's pay vouchers for the last few years and I am having them analyzed and converted to a spreadsheet. We started with 2013 and are only through March so far.

You need to subpoena Ms. Franklin's billing records on all of her cases, including her private cases and the cases where she was the amicus attorney. As shown by March 20, 2013, those billing records can help prove that she is billing the county for impossible hours.

I still strongly urge District Attorney Devon Anderson to recuse herself and ask for the appointment of a prosecutor pro tem because Ms. Anderson is running on the same Republican ticket as Ms. Franklin and some other judges involved in this CPS appointment scandal. I really hope that Ms. Franklin has not committed a crime, but the public needs an independent prosecutor to tell us that. The secret deal to allow Judge Pratt to resign instead of being prosecuted, which Ms. Anderson at first denied, is another reason why I feel an independent prosecutor should look into these allegations about yet another Republican judge (and Pratt's replacement).

The Enos Law Firm serves families in Galveston & Harris Counties, Texas

Greg Enos is Board Certified in Family Law

by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. Other attorneys not board certified.

The issue of false billing in CPS cases has vast importance for our courts, the abused children we all want protected and the finances of Harris County, which has paid out over \$160 million to court appointed attorneys since 2010. Ms. Franklin is not alone and many other attorneys are also engaged in the same sort of billing practices, to the detriment of tax payers. The sooner someone in authority acts, the sooner this waste of tax dollars can be stopped. You need to know that several judges are also at least implicitly involved in this problem, as they appoint the same attorneys over and over again and then do not scrutinize their pay vouchers. The attorneys do not get paid unless a judge signs and approves the voucher. As you know yourself, in our political world, the judges then turn around and depend on the attorneys for financial support at election time.

Sincerely,

Greg B. Enos

cc: Judge Alicia Franklin, 311th District Court

The Enos Law Firm, P.C.

17207 Feather Craft Lane Webster, Texas 77598 Telephone: (281) 333-3030 Facsimile: (281) 488-7775

E-mail: greg.enoslaw@gmail.com



Greg B. Enos, Attorney & Mediator

"Helping families through tough times"

September 8, 2014

Ms. Terese Buess Public Integrity Unit Harris County District Attorney's Office 1201 Franklin, 6th Fl. Houston, TX 77002

Re:

Criminal complaint against 311th District Judge Alicia Franklin

Dear Ms. Buess:

I attach the original affidavit signed by me which should go along with the records I have previously provided you.

I checked and it is very hard to match up what the auditor web site says it has paid Franklin with what she submitted. The auditor uses a different voucher number than what is printed on the voucher and combines several vouchers on one check. I was able to match up the majority of her vouchers with what was paid for March 2013 however just by finding amounts that matched what she submitted.

Sincerely,

Greg B. Enos

§

§

AFFIDAVIT

ATTENTION:

RE: Complaint vs. Alicia Franklin

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION WHICH I FURNISH THE HARRIS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN THIS COMPLAINT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND IS FURNISHED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF INSTITUTING CRIMINAL PROSECUTION IN THE EVENT INVESTIGATION INDICATES CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. I AM NOT REQUESTING CRIMINAL PROSECUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING AN ADVANTAGE EITHER CIVILLY OR POLITICALLY.

I AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO USE THE INFORMATION WHICH I PROVIDE IN ANY MANNER DEEMED NECESSARY AND PROPER.

Signature of Complaining Party

Grea Enos Complainant's Printed Name

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 08 day of 5ep, 2014

ANNA MARIE BURNS
Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires
February 21, 2015

Notary Public in and for the State if Texas

My commission expires Feb. 21, 2015