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Mr. Bilinsky,

If a victim of a potentially fatal hit and run crime asks a lawyer, who is a member of the Law Society in good standing, which legal-form he has to file in the Supreme of Court of British Columbia for his criminal case, under the following conditions:

- 1. The lawyer is **seeking business**, through the Lawyer Referral Service,
- 2. The victim is willing to pay for the service.
- 3. The lawyer is **competent** to know or find the information.
- 4. The victim has a **legal obligation** to take the case to the Court to seek natural justice, because the police did not charge the offender.
- 5. The victim is in **desperate need** for the information; because the information is not accessible for the general public and Court Registry refuses to give him the information.

Does the lawyer have **ethical and professional obligation to provide the information** or discourage the victim by telling him that ordinary citizens cannot file criminal action against other persons?

Please let me know in writing. Thanks in advance.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut



May 16, 2012

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Sent via mail

Mr. Ron Korkut 5249 Laurel Street Burnaby BC V5G 1N1

Dear. Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your letter of May 3, 2012

I am following up on your letter of May 3, 2012 to David Bilinsky, and confirm the accuracy of the advice contained in my three previous letters, including: "A lawyer has no ethical or professional obligation to take on a particular matter, including to provide particular legal services or legal advice on the filing of legal forms, even if the lawyer is listed through the Lawyer Referral Service and the potential client has offered to pay."

You could, in addition to contacting the CBA Lawyer Referral Service for the name of another lawyer, check out the Trial Lawyers Association of BC link to "Consumer Resources": hno://www.tlabc.org/index.cfm?pg=consumerResources, and look under the "Legal Assistance" heading, as I said in my letter of May 1.

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June 25, 2012

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Sent via mail

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Dear Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your letter of May 21, 2012

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 21, 2012.

You ask in your letter whether lawyers have an obligation "to help a victim to facilitate the punishment of a criminal offender." I can advise you that a lawyer has no such obligation.

I hope this is helpful to you.

Yours truly,

Jack Olsen

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