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April 3, 2012

David J. Bilinsky, Practice Management Advisor,
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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

The Law Society
of British Columbia



April 12, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

Sent via mail

Mr. Ron Korkut
5249 Laurel Street
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Dear Mr. Korkut:

I am following up on your letter of April 3, 2012, referred to me by David Bilinsky.

Generally, the Law Society, as the regulator of lawyers, is not in a position to give legal advice to individual members of the public. Instead, we can recommend the BC Branch of the Canadian Bar Association's Lawyer Referral program.

However, with respect to your question, because a lawyer is not required to take on a particular matter, even if a potential client has offered to pay, potential clients sometimes must contact more than one lawyer before finding one willing to provide the requested legal services.

If you wish to make a complaint about a specific lawyer, you can make that complaint to the Law Society, and the Law Society will then investigate the facts and determine whether disciplinary procedures are warranted.

Thank you for contacting the Law Society.

Yours truly,

Alan Treleaven
Director of Education & Practice

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April 15, 2012

Alan Treleaven, Director of Education & Practice
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Mr. Treleaven,

Thanks for responding to my letter dated April 3, 2012, on behalf of David Bilinsky. Nevertheless, I did **not** ask for any **legal advice** in my letter. My question was clearly related to the professional conduct of the members of the Law Society.

Regretfully, I have no choice, but repeat my question:

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?*

I believe, if I make a complaint about a specific lawyer, I must know and be **sure** that the lawyer's **conduct is in conflict with the rules of professional ethics**. Otherwise, I my complaint can be treated as a foolish attempt to denigrate the credibility of an honourable member of the Law Society. Therefore, please, answer my question; I **desperately need** it.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

NOTE: My question is not confidential; therefore, confidential reply is not necessary.

The Law Society
of British Columbia



April 18, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

Sent via mail

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Dear Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your letter of April 15, 2012

I am following up on your letter of April 15, 2012.

A lawyer has no ethical or professional obligation to take on a particular matter, including to provide particular legal services or legal advice, even if the lawyer is listed through the Lawyer Referral Service and the potential client has offered to pay.

When a lawyer declines to take on a particular matter, including to provide particular legal services or legal advice, the member of the public may contact other lawyers to request those legal services.

Thank you once again for contacting the Law Society.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan Treleaven".

Alan Treleaven

Director of Education & Practice

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April 20, 2012

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Mr. Treleaven,

Thanks for responding to my letter dated April 15, 2012, on behalf of David Bilinsky. Nevertheless, I need the clarification of your statements:

1. Are you trying to say that; if I, as **a victim of a potentially fatal hit and run crime**, ask a lawyer, **which legal-form I have to file in the Court of Law, the lawyer has no ethical or professional obligation to provide the information I desperately need for the punishment of the criminal?**
2. What trade practitioner should I consult with; to obtain the information I need, where lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal information to facilitate the punishment of the criminal?

Never mind the professional ethics of lawyers, **every citizen has an obligation to help and provide any information they know, to a victim of a crime that is necessary for the punishment of the criminal;** otherwise the criminal gets away with his/her crime. Correct me, if I am wrong.

Please answer my question in my previous letter and clarify the above mentioned points.
Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

NOTE: My question is not confidential; therefore, confidential reply is not necessary. Unpredictable circumstances in the future may require the publication of these letters to prevent harm to the members of public.



May 1, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

Sent via mail

Mr. Ron Korkut
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Dear. Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your letter of April 20, 2012

I am following up on your letter of April 20, 2012, and am responding only to your questions on lawyers' obligations. 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 can contact more than one lawyer to request those legal services, including advice on the filing of legal forms, when a lawyer has declined to provide such a service. You could check out the Trial Lawyers Association of BC link to "Consumer Resources":

<http://www.tlabc.org/index.cfm?N=consumerResources> , and look under the Legal Assistance" heading.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alan Treleaven".

Alan Treleaven
Director of Education & Practice

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May 3, 2012

David J. Bilinsky, Practice Management Advisor,
The Law Society of British Columbia
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Mr. Bilinsky,

In my letter dated April 3, 2012 I asked you the following question:

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** (that is necessary for the punishment of the criminal) or *discourage the victim by telling him that ordinary citizens cannot file criminal action against other persons?*

Alan Treleaven answered the above question, on your behalf, as follows:

“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.”

Do you agree that his statement is the correct answer to my question? If his answer is correct, please, also let me know which trade practitioner should I consult with; to obtain the information necessary for the punishment of the hit and run criminal who almost killed me. Thanks in advance.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut



May 16, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

Sent via mail

Mr. Ron Korkut
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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": <http://www.tlabc.org/index.cfm?pg=consumerResources> , and look under the "Legal Assistance" heading, as I said in my letter of May 1.

Yours truly,

Alan Treleaven
Director of Education & Practice

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May 21, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
The Law Society of British Columbia
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Mr. Getz,

I am a victim of **hit and run crime** that is threatening the peace of our community; because the criminals are rewarded instead of punished, as exemplified below:

On May 31, 2009, Stewart Taylor, rear ended my car with his work van, while speeding on Pattullo Bridge and ran away. I lost control of my car and it was totally destroyed after three impacts. I was extremely lucky to survive the collision without any physical injuries; because, I was driving on the right lane and my car hit the curb instead of oncoming traffic.

I reported the incident to the police. Stewart Taylor was caught and admitted his wrong. Nevertheless, the police did not take any action to prosecute him, because **ICBC was liable** for it.

ICBC **officially accepted the liability of the crime**, by paying me the replacement cost of my car, on behalf of Stewart Taylor. **Paying a bill a criminal offender has to pay** is perfect example of providing financial support to a criminal offender. Therefore, it is conclusive that, ICBC is guilty for providing **financial support to a hit and run criminal, under the title of "accident insurance benefits"**. Furthermore, in law, assuming the liability of a criminal offence is tantamount to perpetrating the actual crime.

Since I am the victim of a **potentially fatal hit and run crime committed under the liability of ICBC**, I have a legal obligation to file a criminal action against ICBC. Otherwise, in a community where the victims of crime fail to take legal action against the criminals or their sponsors, it is impossible to prevent crime.

The first step of launching a legal action is to find out **which legal-form to be filed in the Supreme Court of British Columbia for criminal cases**. Therefore, I sought help from the lawyers who were referred by the Lawyer Referral Service. After giving me ten names, the Lawyer Referral Service refused to give me any more names on the grounds that their lawyers defend criminals, not victims.

None of the ten lawyers gave me the information I desperately needed and willing to pay for, even though **every citizen has a duty to provide all the information they know for purpose of punishing a criminal offender**. Instead, they tried to discourage me from filing the legal action by telling me that filing a criminal action is very complicated process that involves police, crown counsels, prosecutors, justice of peace, etc..

To find out, if the lawyers have an obligation to help a victim to facilitate the punishment of a criminal offender, I wrote to **David Bilinsky**, Practice Management Advisor. On behalf of Mr. Bilinsky, **Alan Treleaven** replied to my letter stating that:

“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.”

Then, I wrote another letter to David Bilinsky to confirm the validity of the statement of Alan Treleaven. As a surprise, Alan Treleaven responded again and confirmed his own decision.

What kind of professional conduct is this?...

Never mind the above question, but; please, let me know, if the lawyers, who are the members of the Law Society of British Columbia, have **professional-obligation to provide the name of the legal-form, if a victim of hit and run crime requests for the punishment of his offender(s); or not?**

I need an official and authorized answer to my question; because, I am willing to report the names of those ten lawyers to the Law Society. Nevertheless, it is not fair for them to be implicated with professional misconduct, if the lawyers of British Columbia have ***no obligation to provide legal-information that is leading to the prevention of crime in our community.***

Sincerely,

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June 24, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
The Law Society of British Columbia
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Mr. Getz,

So far, I have not received any response to my letter dated May 21, 2012. Please, answer my question regarding the lawyers' ethics.

Thanks, for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut,

The Law Society
of British Columbia



June 25, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

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
Staff Lawyer - Ethics

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June 28, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

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Mr. Getz,

Today, I have received a letter from Jack Olsen responding to my letter dated May 21, 2012, on your behalf. Mr. Olsen stated that “*lawyers have no obligation to help a victim to facilitate the punishment of a criminal offender*”.

Please, let me know, if his statement is consistent with the ethics of the members of the Law Society. If the lawyers have not such an obligation, who else may have the obligation of providing service to the victims of crime to ensure that justice is done?

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut,

The Law Society
of British Columbia



July 24, 2012

Ron Korkut
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Dear Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your letter of June 28, 2012

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 28, 2012.

I have reviewed the correspondence in this matter, including your letter of May 21, 2012 and Mr. Olsen's reply to you of June 25, 2012. I have also reviewed earlier correspondence from Mr. Treleaven to you of May 16, 2012.

I agree with the advice Mr. Olsen and Mr. Treleaven have given to you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Leon Getz".

Leon Getz, Q.C.
Chair, Ethics Committee

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July 24, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

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Mr. Getz,

I am a victim of potentially fatal hit and run crime; therefore, I have a legal obligation to file a criminal action against my offender. Obviously, if the victims consent to crime by not filing criminal action against their offenders, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime.

To file the case, I sought help from the lawyers referred by the Lawyer Referral Service. All of them refused to help me with the filing procedure and **they declined to give me name of the legal form required to file criminal cases**, despite I was willing to pay for their service. Obviously, if I cannot get legal help from the lawyers, justice will not be served and the offender will be free to offend others. In this respect the lawyers' conduct may amount to obstruction of justice. Nevertheless, I don't know the necessary form to take them to the Court.

Therefore, I decided to take disciplinary action by reporting them to the Law Society for failure to provide legal service to a victim of crime. Nevertheless, it is useless to file a complaint about those lawyers, if the lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal service to victims of crime.

To find out if the lawyers have professional obligation to provide legal service to victims of crime, I wrote to you expecting to get an authorized decision on this matter. Nevertheless, on behalf of you, Mr. Jack Olsen sent me a letter stating that "**lawyers have no obligation to help a victim to facilitate the punishment of a criminal offender**", dated June 25, 2012.

In my letter dated June 28, 2012, I asked you whether you approve Jack Olsen's statement or not. You have not answered my question, so far. Would you mind answering my question? Please.

Sincerely,

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July 29, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
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Mr. Getz,

Re: Your letter, dated July 24, 2012.

Thanks for confirming that *lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal service to a victim of hit and run crime* so that he can take his case to the Court of Law.

If the lawyers do not have such an obligation, as victim of hit and run crime, whom should I consult to get legal information to launch my case?

Every year, hit and run criminals are killing dozens of innocent citizens in our Province with impunity, Mr. Getz.

This is a serious matter.

Sincerely,

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August 23, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
The Law Society of British Columbia
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Dear Mr. Getz,

Re: My letter, dated July 29, 2012.

In your letter, dated July 24, 2012, you confirmed that *the lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal service to a victim of hit and run crime*; so that, he can take his case to the Court of Law.

In my letter, dated July 29, 2012, I asked you the following question:

Who does have the obligation of providing legal-information necessary to file a criminal action, if the lawyers do not have such an obligation?

So far, you have not answered my question. I desperately need the answer; because, I have a duty to take legal action against my offender. Otherwise, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime.

Please, answer my question.

Sincerely,

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~~August 23, 2012~~ September 12, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
The Law Society of British Columbia
845 Cambie Street
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Dear Mr. Getz,

Re: My letter, dated July 29, 2012.

In your letter, dated July 24, 2012, you confirmed that *the lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal service to a victim of hit and run crime*; so that, he can take his case to the Court of Law.

In my letter, dated July 29, 2012, I asked you the following question:

Who does have the obligation of providing legal-information necessary to file a criminal action, if the lawyers do not have such an obligation?

So far, you have not answered my question. I desperately need the answer; because, I have a **duty to take legal action against my offender**. Otherwise, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime.

PLEASE, answer my question.

Sincerely,

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October 8, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

REGISTERED MAIL

Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, QC, Chair
The Law Society of British Columbia
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Dear Mr. Getz,

I am a victim of **potentially fatal hit and run crime**; therefore, I have a duty to take my offender to the Court. Otherwise, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime.

To take my offender to the Court, I have to file a legal-form in the Supreme Court of British Columbia. Therefore, I consulted with ten lawyers referred by the Lawyer Referral Service. All of the ten lawyers refused to provide me with the name of the legal-form or document required to launch the criminal action; even though, I was prepared to pay for their service.

As we all know, lawyers have ethical and professional obligation to provide legal service to the victims of crime. Nevertheless, in your letter, dated July 24, 2012, you confirmed that ***the lawyers have no professional obligation to provide legal service to me***; so that, I can take my offender to the Court.

In my letters, dated July 29, 2012, August 23, 2012 and September 12, 2012, I asked you the following question:

Who does have the obligation of providing legal-information necessary to file a criminal action, if the lawyers do not have such an obligation? You declined to answer my question.

If you do not answer my question by the end of October 2012, I have to raise this issue to the attention of the President of the Law Society of British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

Dishonest lawyers are more serious concern than dangerous criminals.

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November 5, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Timothy E. McGee
Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director
The Law Society of British Columbia
845 Cambie Street
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Dear Mr. McGee,

I am a victim of **potentially fatal hit and run crime**. My offender was caught; therefore, I have a duty to take him and his sponsor to the Court. Otherwise, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime.

To take my offender to the Court, I have to file a legal document in the Supreme Court of British Columbia. Therefore, I consulted with ten lawyers referred by the Lawyer Referral Service. All of the ten lawyers refused to provide me with the name of the legal-form or document required to launch a criminal action; even though, I was prepared to pay for their service.

As we all know, lawyers have ethical and professional obligation to provide legal service to the victims of crime, in order to prevent crime. Nevertheless, in his letter, dated July 24, 2012, Mr. Leon Getz, Ethics Committee Chair, confirmed that *the lawyers have no obligation to provide legal service to a victim of crime*; to bring his/her offender to justice. Despite my repeated requests, dated July 29, 2012, August 23, 2012 and September 12, 2012, Mr. Gets failed to answer my following question:

Who does have the obligation of providing legal-information necessary to file a criminal action, if the LAWYERS do not have such an obligation?

Please let me know who, or which professional, I should consult with to get the legal information necessary to file my case, if the lawyers do not have professional obligation to provide legal service.

I desperately need the answer to fulfill my civic duty to take my offender to the Court.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

The Law Society
of British Columbia



Please reply to our File No. 201208181N

November 16, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL

Sent via mail

Mr. Ron Korkut
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Dear Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your November 5, 2012 Letter to the Law Society of B.C., Our File No. 201208181N I I I

acknowledge receipt on November 8, 2012 of your letter dated November 5, 2012.

Enclosed is a brochure which describes the function of the Law Society and the limits of what we can and cannot do.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide you with any legal advice/assistance in respect of the legal action you want to commence.

You will either have to research the issue online or in a law library yourself and/or you may want to contact the Access Pro Bono Society of B.C. A brochure describing this society is also enclosed.

I am sorry we cannot be of more assistance to you.

Yours truly,

Lynne Knights
Intake Officer, Professional Conduct

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November 20, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT

Timothy E. McGee
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Dear Mr. McGee,

Lynne Knights, Professional Conduct Officer responded to my letter, dated November 5, 2012, on your behalf. Even though, in my letter, there was no statement indicating that I was seeking legal advice from the Law Society, she wrote me the following, labeled “confidential”:

“Unfortunately, we are unable to provide you with any legal advice/assistance in respect of the legal action you want to commence.”

She did ignore my question regarding the professional obligations of the lawyers.

As clearly stated in my letter, I need an authorized answer to the following question:

Do the members of the Law Society of British Columbia have professional and ethical obligation to disclose legal information requested by a victim of potentially fatal hit and run crime, that is absolutely necessary to bring the criminal offender to justice, or not?

Please answer my question on behalf of the Law Society of British Columbia, in person. Your answer is vitally important for **preventing hit and run crime** in our Province and **protecting the credibility of the Legal Profession**.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

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December 20, 2012

PUBLIC DOCUMENT
(Personally served)

Timothy E. McGee
Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director
The Law Society of British Columbia
845 Cambie Street
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Dear Mr. McGee,

Hit and run incidents kill dozens of innocent citizens of British Columbia every year. Hit and run is not an accident; it is a criminal offence under the section 252 Criminal Code of Canada.

I am a **victim of hit and run crime**, but very lucky one. I survived the **potentially fatal** collision and my offender was caught. Instead of being prosecuted, ICBC awarded him under the name of “*accident insurance benefits*”, despite he was over-speeding, driving erratically on a substandard bridge and ran away. Therefore, I have a legal-obligation to take my offender and his sponsor to the Court. Otherwise, it is impossible to prevent hit and run crime. Furthermore, I may be accused for failing to resist crime; because, acquiescence is encouragement for crime.

To take my offenders to the Court, I have to file a legal document in the Supreme Court of British Columbia. Therefore, I consulted with ten lawyers referred by the Lawyer Referral Service. All of the ten lawyers refused to provide me with the name of the legal-form or document required to launch a criminal action against my offenders; even though, I was prepared to pay for their service. **Consequently, my access to administration of justice was obstructed.**

In hopes of solving the problem, I got in touch with Alan Treleaven, Director of Education & Practice David Bilinsky, Practice Management Advisor and Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, Chair. They stated that **lawyers do not have ethical and professional obligation to provide legal service to the victims of crime, in order to take his case to the Court.** Obviously, it does not make any sense to file disciplinary actions against those ten lawyers, under the circumstances.

To **correct** or **confirm the validity** of the above statement, I appealed to your authority on November 5, 2012. Nevertheless, you have not paid due attention to my request, so far. This is my third letter to you. If you do not correct or confirm the validity of the above statement by the end of January, 2013, I have to raise the issue to the attention of the Benchers.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

Encl. News clips about hit and run crime.



January 8, 2013

Sent via mail

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Dear Mr. Korkut:

Re: Your Letter of December 20, 2012

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 20, 2012.

I note that you have addressed letters to and received replies from a number of Law Society staff and Benchers of the Law Society, including Mr. Treleaven, Mr. Olsen and Mr. Getz, concerning legal questions that you have. I confirm that the advice previously provided to you by the Law Society is correct.

I regret that we cannot continue to correspond with you concerning your various questions, and that any further correspondence or materials received from you will be placed on your closed file. I suggest you may want to consult publications of the Legal Services Society of British Columbia concerning any legal matters in which you are interested. The Legal Services Society's website is located at <http://www.lss.bc.ca/>.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Timothy E. McGee".

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Dear Bencher,

Hit and run incidents kill and cripple dozens of innocent citizens of British Columbia every year. (*) Hit and run is not an accident; it is a **criminal offence** under the section 252, Criminal Code of Canada.

I am a **victim of hit and run crime**. Nevertheless, I was extremely lucky; because, I survived the **potentially fatal** collision on Pattullo Bridge; May 31, 2009 and a few days later my offender was caught. Instead of being prosecuted, ICBC assumed the liability and awarded the offender for committing the offence, under the name of "*accident insurance benefits*". Obviously, no reasonable person would classify, *over-speeding, driving a work-van erratically on a substandard bridge, hitting a car with no excuse and running away*, as "accident". Therefore, I have a legal-obligation to take my offender and his sponsor to the Court. If I fail to fulfill my obligation, I may be accused for **failure of resisting crime**; because, the acquiescence of victim is encouragement for the criminal offender.

The procedure of starting a criminal action requires filing a legal form or document with the Court registry. Therefore, I consulted with ten lawyers referred by the Lawyer Referral Service to get the necessary documents. To my surprise, all of the ten lawyers declined to help me; even though, I offered compensation for their service. We all know that the **lawyers' duty is to provide legal service** to the public in their pursuit of Justice. Nevertheless, they attempted to discourage me instead of providing the legal service I desperately needed. Therefore, **my access to the Law Courts is obstructed**.

On April 3, 2012, before filing disciplinary actions against the lawyers, I got in touch with the Law Society to confirm that the lawyers **have professional obligation to provide legal service to the victims of crime, for bringing the criminal offenders to Justice**. David Bilinsky, Practice Management Advisor, Leon Getz, Ethics Committee, Chair and Timothy E. McGee, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director stated that **lawyers do not have such an obligation**.

As long as their statement is not corrected; obviously, I cannot take disciplinary actions against those lawyers and my access to the administration of justice will remain obstructed. Therefore, please **take necessary action(s) to correct the above statement** that may raise questions about the Honour of Legal Profession and the Credibility of the Law Society of British Columbia. Thanks in advance.

Sincerely,

Ron Korkut

(*) Please refer to www.ethicsfirst.ca for a few news clips about hit and run crime. (To be posted in February 2013)