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The Florida Bar  
Unlicensed Practice of Law (UPL) Department  
651 E. Jefferson Street  
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RE: Request for Advisory Opinion  
Pursuant to Rule 10-9.1 of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar

Pursuant to Rule 10-9.1 of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, this is to request an advisory opinion based on the “operative facts” particularized by my enclosed January 21, 2015 letter responding to the November 20, 2014 “unlicensed practice of law” complaint filed against me by David Baum, for assisting his sister, Nina Baum, who is suing him.

As stated by my response, if, based on the circumstances described, my assistance of Ms. Baum, who is my friend, were to be deemed “unlicensed practice of law”, such would be:

“unconstitutional – and leave a litigant who has been victimized by unscrupulous attorneys and judges and who, by reason of their misconduct and the damage it has caused, is unable to secure representation by counsel, without the smallest of lifelines that a skilled layman can provide.” (at p. 5).

Mr. Baum’s complaint against me is also enclosed. The documents he furnished with it and my own substantiating proof are posted on a webpage I have created entitled “The Florida Bar – ‘Unlicensed Practice of Law’ & ‘Reporting Professional Misconduct’ of Licensed Lawyers (& Judges)”. The webpage is on the website of the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc., [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org), and is accessible via the left sidebar panel “*Searching for Champions-Bar Associations*”.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

cc: Nina Baum  
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