Supreme Court of the State of New York



NEW YORK COUNTY COURTHOUSE 60 CENTRE STREET NEW YORK, NY 10007-1474

January 31, 2007

Paul J. Curran, Esq., Chair Disciplinary Committee Appellate Division: First Department 61 Broadway New York, New York 10006

RE: Norman Cousins, Attorney Registration Number 1437425

Dear Mr. Curran:

Please be advised that, in accordance with the enclosed decision of this court in Kevin Veneski and Juanita Veneski v. Queens-Long Island Medical Group, P.C. and Lawrence Sokolsky, M.D., Index Number 100011/98, I am hereby referring to the Disciplinary Committee of the Appellate Division: First Department the question of whether Norman Leonard Cousins improperly pressured his client, Kevin Veneski, to loan money to him, without advising his client to seek the advice of independent counsel.

Very truly yours,

Sherry Klein Heitler Associate Justice

Appellate Term, Supreme Court

First Department

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