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STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL ETHICS

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Michael James Kirwin, Esquire Kirwin Norris, P.A. 15 W Church St., Ste. 301 Orlando, FL 32801

Re: Legal Ethics Inquiry 688

Dear Mr. Kirwin:

I am writing in response to your request dated February 11, 2015, which we received February 18, 2015, for an informal advisory opinion from the Virginia State Bar's Standing Committee on Legal Ethics.

The Rules of Court require the Committee to determine whether requests for advisory opinions present previously unresolved issues. At its meeting on March 19, 2015, the Committee reviewed your opinion request and agreed to LEI the request on the basis that Rule 1.6(a) permits disclosure of confidential information when the client consents after consultation. Therefore, the Committee determined not to issue an opinion in response to your request.

Thank you for bringing your concerns to the Bar. If you have any questions about this decision, feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

James M. McCauley Ethics Counsel (804)775-0565

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cc: Michael Wayne Robinson, Esq., Chair

Committee Members