

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case No. SC14-2241

Complainant,

vs.

The Florida Bar File No.  
2014-31,028(18A)(CES)

NEAL J. BLAHER,

Respondent.

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***SUPPLEMENT TO***  
**NOTICE OF CLOSURE OF**  
**LAW OFFICE OF NEAL J. BLAHER**

In the December 31, 2014 Notice of Closing of my Law Office, I referenced the kind of work I have done for clients, colleagues and the greater community, including advocating for clients with civility and professionalism; treating tribunals and opposing counsel with respect and civility; taking as much time as necessary to explain matters to clients, assess and advise them on their problems, and keep them informed; accommodate clients' financial limitations and otherwise treat them fairly with respect to fees; and volunteering in the community.

In connection with these references, I attached certain illustrations. However, those attachments were limited to recognitions for my pro bono work as a guardian ad litem on behalf of abused and neglected children, even though my service has been much broader. I therefore submit this Supplement to provide, for the public record, illustrations of the remaining service I have "given back." This

includes accolades and letters of thanks from clients for “professional,” “diligent” and “superb” representation, and for caring for and being attentive to their needs, including an acknowledgement from Florida Bar Executive Director John Harkness of a letter sent to The Bar by a grateful client (Exhibit A); recognitions by expert witnesses used in my cases (Exhibit B); written compliments and appreciation for providing classical music in my capacity as a violinist performing with other musicians at a judicial reception hosted by the Central Florida Association of Women Lawyers (CFAWL) (Exhibit C); letters of thanks from attorneys whom I assisted and advised in their cases, and further offered guidance in their professional lives in general (Exhibit D); and recognitions for my extensive service on, and chairmanship of, two separate local bar association committees (Exhibit E). *All documents have been appropriately redacted.*

In closing, I would reiterate the final statement in my original Notice: Both The Florida Bar and the Florida Supreme Court will have to live with their decisions to bring an end to the practice of the kind of lawyer that these attachments reflect. For reasons one can only guess, none of the service reflected in these attachments merited any consideration prior to deciding that this attorney should no longer practice law. Sadly, such action by the organized bar and highest court of this state only gives this Respondent comfort to no longer being a part of the bar.

Date: 6 February 2015

/s/Neal J. Blaher  
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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the date written above, the foregoing Supplemental Notice, with exhibits, was electronically filed with the Supreme Court and thereby served on Florida Bar Counsel, JoAnn M. Stalcup, at [jstalcup@flabar.org](mailto:jstalcup@flabar.org), and on countless other employees of The Florida Bar whose roles in this matter have not been identified.

/s/Neal J. Blaher  
NEAL J. BLAHER