



Hello Lea.

3 messages



Thu, Dec 14, 2023 at 1:15 PM

Dear Lea Terlonge Bickerton

If I don't receive written proof of what you did in my case and what the final outcome was/is within 3 business days then I'm going to file a complaint with The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

I have no clue what you did or what happened due to your lack of communication.

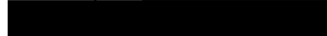
Please reply with a confirmation of the following information so that I may update my records with any changes.

Lea Terlong Bickerton



Attorney ID [REDACTED]
Current Status: Active
Date of Admission: 12/13/2005
Employer: N/A
Address: P.O. BOX 11136
[REDACTED]

Country: UNITED STATES



Fax: N/A
County: ALLEGHENY
District: District 4
Professional Liability Insurance:
I maintain, either individually or through my firm, professional liability insurance pursuant to the provisions of Rule of Professional Conduct 1.4(c).

Thank You.

James Bell



"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened." - Anatole France



Fri, Dec 15, 2023 at 10:36 AM

Mr. Bell:

I've attached a copy of all of the drafts I created your case, including the final draft that was mailed to you with a verification form in May 2020. That draft was to be filed if *Commonwealth v. Moore* was decided favorably, which is why you held off on returning the verification form that summer.

As we discussed several times in our phone calls since *Commonwealth v. Moore* was pending and decided, we are still in a holding pattern until *Commonwealth v. Torsilieri* is decided. That case is still pending before the PA Supreme Court. A copy of the current docket in that case is attached.

To be clear about your case and to reiterate the substance of our many conversations about it:

- As someone who had to register under the pre-December 20, 2012 laws, *Muniz* was not directly applicable to you.

- Your path to relief is more challenging because the increase to the registration term happened under Megan's Law 2 and the courts keep concluding that the registration requirements for people from before December 20, 2012 are not so challenging that they are considered punishment.
- The case law and statutes shifted rapidly between 2017 and 2020 and has been in a holding pattern pending *Torsilieri* since then
- As we discussed and agreed, I had two Megan's Law 1 cases that were moving through the system before I was retained and the strategy was to use the precedents in those cases to clear the path.
- Both cases were not resolved in the defendants' favor.
- As we discussed several times since my petition for allowance of appeal was denied in *Moore*, we are waiting for *Torsilieri* to be decided before proceeding in your case.
- As the *Torsilieri* docket will show, there is no decision in that case yet. I can appreciate your frustration and, to the extent that I have four cases that are on hold until the case is decided, share in that frustration.

Regarding your assertion that I have neglected to update you in your case, I have attached and will separately forward your message from January of this year in which you confirmed that I called you in June of 2022 but that you failed to call me back. I called you the business day after you sent that message but I did not hear back from you until this morning. My records reflect that we were in regular communication by phone, text, and email until June of 2022. To be clear: I was the last person to reach out in January of this year. I assumed that you didn't call back because you were afraid again.

Best regards,

-Lea Bickerton

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8 attachments

-  **January 2023 email.pdf**
68K
-  **Torsilieri Docket Sheet.pdf**
351K
-  **Motion to File Under Seal-Bell.pdf**
141K
-  **Petition for Review-2020-FINAL-Bell.pdf**
187K
-  **Petition for Review-2020-REDACTED-JB.pdf**
189K
-  **Court Records-REDACTED-JB.pdf**
120K
-  **PSP Redacted 2020.pdf**
21K
-  **Petition for Review-FINAL-Bell.pdf**
186K

Sun, Dec 17, 2023 at 8:18 PM

Hi Lea,

Yes, I received your email this morning. Unfortunately, I was being held in Allegheny County Jail after being arrested for non-compliance for not registering with the State Police.

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