

STATE OF VERMONT
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM

In re: William Cobb, Esq.
PRB No. 2020-99, 2020-103

Disciplinary Counsel's Prehearing Witness List

In accordance with the scheduling order, paragraph 10, I provide the following information to the panel regarding witnesses who may be called (set out below in alphabetical order), brief summary of anticipated testimony, and estimated time required for direct examination.

1. Ben Andrews. Mr. Andrews is the former client of Respondent referred to in Count 4 of the petition. Mr. Andrews is expected to testify that he did not give permission or consent to Respondent to disclose information about his legal matter. Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
2. Jessica Burke. Ms. Burke is Mr. Andrews current counsel. She is expected to testify to the impact of Respondent's unauthorized disclosure regarding her client (Count 4). Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
3. William Cobb. Mr. Cobb is the respondent. He is expected to testify to his own perspective regarding the conduct charged. Anticipated time for direct: 45 minutes.
4. Alan Franklin. Mr. Franklin is an attorney who represented client Mr. King at the same time as Respondent on Mr. King's Caledonia County criminal charges. He is expected to testify to his interactions with Respondent during the timeframe they both represented Mr. King (Counts 2 and 3). Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
5. Kathryn Kennedy. Ms. Kennedy is an attorney who represented the juvenile AC

- whose confidential information was disclosed (Count 1 of the petition). She is expected to testify to the details surrounding Respondent's request for access to the juvenile court information and the impact of the subsequent disclosure. Anticipated time for direct: 20 minutes.
6. Erika King. Ms. King is married to Respondent's former client Mike King. She is expected to testify to her own interactions and communications with Respondent and the details of helping coordinate payment and logistics for his defense. Anticipated time for direct: 20 minutes.
 7. Michael King. Mr. King is Respondent's former client. He is expected to testify to his own interactions and communications with Respondent. Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
 8. Larry Myer. Mr. Myer is an attorney who represented client KH (a parent) in the juvenile court matter relating to Count 1 of the petition. He is expected to testify that he provided KH's client file to Respondent upon Respondent's request and with KH's consent. Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
 9. Marshall Pahl. Mr. Paul is the Juvenile Defender. He is expected to testify to the Defender General/Juvenile Defender's understanding of and perspective on the statutory controls surrounding handling and disclosure of juvenile court information. Anticipated time for direct: 15 minutes.
 10. Thomas Paul. Mr. Paul is Caledonia Deputy State's Attorney. He is expected to testify to his interactions with Respondent regarding Mr. King's criminal matter. Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.

11. Heidi Remick. Ms. Remick was a Windsor County Deputy State's Attorney. She is expected to testify to her interactions with Respondent regarding Mr. King's criminal matter. Anticipated time for direct: 10 minutes.
12. Bob Sheftman. Mr. Sheftman is an attorney. He represented KM, mother of juvenile AC, in the civil matter in which Respondent publicly disclosed confidential juvenile court information. He is expected to testify to information within his personal knowledge surrounding the disclosure. Anticipated time for direct: 20 minutes.
13. David Sleigh. Mr. Sleigh is an attorney. He replaced Respondent as counsel of record to Mr. King. He is expected to testify to his personal knowledge regarding that counsel transition, including the disclosure of Mr. Andrews' client information, of which he was the recipient. Anticipated time for direct: 15 minutes.

Dated: June 15, 2021



Sarah Katz

Disciplinary Counsel