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Kristina Frost, Clerk
Supreme Court of Ohio
65 South Front Street, 8th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: John Robert Lentes

Dear Ms. Frost:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Claim Determination Entry for award made by the Board of Commissioners of the Clients' Security Fund of Ohio in the following claim:

| <u>CSF CLAIM NO.</u> | <u>CLAIMANT</u> | <u>AWARD</u> |
|----------------------|--|--------------|
| 09-0162 | Mina J. G. Smith (fka Cheryl Gardner) on behalf of Katarina Maxine Zoe Smith (fka Colleen Gardner) | \$75,000 |

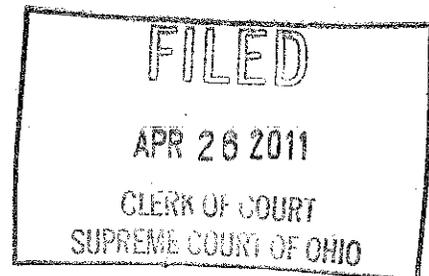
This award arose from the dishonest conduct of John Robert Lentes. We ask that the information concerning the award made by the Clients' Security Fund be placed in the attorney's files.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Janet Green Marbley pdl
Janet Green Marbley, Administrator
Clients' Security Fund

JGM/pdl
Enclosure(s): as stated



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CLAIM DETERMINATION ENTRY

In Re Application of Mina J. G. Smith (fka Cheryl Gardner) on behalf of Katarina Maxine Zoe Smith (fka Colleen Gardner) v. John Robert Lentes
Claim Number 09-0162

This cause came on for hearing before the Board of Commissioners of the Clients' Security Fund this **4th day of March, 2011** on the application of Cheryl Gardner on behalf of Colleen Gardner alleging a loss in the amount of \$137,500, caused by dishonest conduct of an attorney duly licensed to practice in the State of Ohio

The Commissioners of the Clients' Security Fund of Ohio find that:

- a) An attorney client relationship did exist between the claimant and John Robert Lentes.
- b) The claimant suffered a loss of \$75,000 on or about March, 2009.

The Commissioners further find that the dishonest conduct consisted of theft of settlement proceeds, and that the following disciplinary proceedings were taken:

DISBARRED on 12/11/2008

The Commissioners further find that the claimant took affirmative action against the attorney within one year of becoming aware of the loss; and that there is no insurance or bond which will benefit the claimant; and that said claimant is not a spouse, close relative, partner, insurer or bonding company, nor a governmental unit.

Therefore the Commissioners of the Clients' Security Fund do hereby determine that the claim of Cheryl Gardner (nka Mina J. G. Smith) on behalf of Colleen Gardner (nka Katarina Maxine Zoe Smith) is eligible for reimbursement in the amount of \$75,000.

Payment of said amount is conditioned upon claimant complying with the subrogation assignment and other requirements of Sec. 6 of GOV. Rule VIII of the Ohio Supreme Court.

Date

3-13-11
March 9, 2011
Date

Chair

Secretary


Janet Green Marbley
Secretary