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February 21, 2005

Office of the Chief Trial Counsel/Intake  
State Bar of California  
1149 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California 90015-2299

**Re: Complaint against Brian J. Robbins, Cal Bar # 190264**

Dear Office of the Chief Trial Counsel/Intake:

I'm writing your office to file a complaint against my attorney Brian Robbins due to his misleading and unethical behavior. The details of Mr. Robbins firm are:

Robbins Umeda & Fink, LLP  
1010 Second Avenue, Suite 2360  
San Diego, CA 92101  
Tel: 619-525-3990

From looking at his letterhead, the firm employs a total of four attorneys.

On or around March of 2003, I contacted Mr. Robbins via email to discuss the press release issued by ElectroScientific ("ESIO") Industries since I owned shares of stock in this company. The press release stated that ESIO mis-stated previous earnings due to faulty accounting practices. After receiving my email, Mr. Robbins contacted me on the telephone. During this conversation, Mr. Robbins felt that we should file a derivatives lawsuit against ESIO with me as the lead plaintiff. I asked Mr. Robbins if I'd be compensated for being lead plaintiff. While Mr. Robbins did not guarantee I'd be compensated, he did say he would apply for lead plaintiff compensation with the courts. From the conversation, I agreed to be lead plaintiff so Mr. Robbins Federal Express'd an agreement which I signed. As part of the agreement, I did not pay Mr. Robbins any money. Mr. Robbins then filed a case in the Oregon state courts entitled *Lead Plaintiff v. ElectroScientific Industries et. Al*. Over the course of the case we had numerous email exchanges discussing the case. On October 19, 2004, I sent an email to Mr. Robbins asking him if they were any developments in the case. Mr. Robbins ignored the email. On or around October 24, I contacted Mr. Robbins by phone. Since I called him after hours, I was able to get him on the phone. Mr. Robbins stated that the case had been settled so I asked him if I was going to receive any lead plaintiff compensation as a result of the case. Mr. Robbins stated that he never applied for lead plaintiff compensation with the courts as we previously agreed to in our agreement. Even though the amount of compensation wasn't that significant, it's the principal of the whole matter since I'm sure Mr. Robbins and his firm made out quite well. Mr. Robbins then stated that the next time he was in Phoenix he'd take me out to dinner to make up for not applying for lead plaintiff compensation. As anticipated, this was yet another lie by Mr. Robbins as I have not heard from him since our last conversation.

In my opinion, Mr. Robbins is misleading and unethical and shouldn't be allowed to practice law in the state of California. As you know, lawyers get a bad rap as being ambulance chasers. At least with ambulance chasing lawyers, the plaintiff gets some form of compensation unlike with being a lead plaintiff for Mr. Robbins.

I am requesting you keep this letter on file. If anyone requests any information on Mr. Robbins with the State Bar of California, feel free to give them a copy of this letter.

Regards,

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