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Clarke <clarke.fitzsimmons@gmail.com> To: Brie Mills <brie@sadatlawgroup.com> Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 10:05 AM

Ms. Mills,

I was given the impression by my mother that you were going to be calling me on last Thursday. That didn't happen. I left you two voicemails on Saturday explicitly asking that you contact me back via email if Mr. Stobby did want to indeed have the meeting that you originally suggested on July 28th. It is now September 8th. While I can certainly understand that you were out of town and didn't get my messages until Monday evening, I do not understand why you would not address me as I had asked.

In a voicemail, I impressed upon you my urgency, as this upcoming week is the anniversary of my brother's disappearance and death, and my mother and I usually spend this time together somberly in remembrance. I attempted to , but apparently failed to effectively, convey to you that if this meeting, which seems illusive, is something that was actually going to happen, I wanted it handled expeditiously as I did not want to be spending such a traditionally hard week angsting over this taxing subject or any upcoming meeting for that matter.

Other factors that contribute to the sensitivity of this, are that my uncle / my mother's brother also died very recently, so this time is even more sacred to the both of us, and we did not want our focus to be on feeling strung along waiting for an upcoming meeting that may or may not materialize. Another wrinkle, given the nature of my dispute with Mr. Stobby, is the fact that my brother died by taking his own life just a few days after he was raped (I'm fairly certain that from my years of friendship with Mr. Stobby he is at least somewhat aware of that situation). I'm sure that you can understand the gravity of this.

As you can imagine, the nature of my brother's death, and having to continually wait, and feeling strung along in doing so, to address my own sexual predator and import to him the weight of the significant effect his actions have had on my life, is quite the situation for me to reflect upon. Thus I wanted to get my meeting that you and Mr. Stobby initially requested out of the way before this anniversary.

In light of all of this, I am uncomfortable with your instruction to my mother that we simply wait another week. I also quite frankly feel somewhat dismissed that you would not honor my requests that I had made in both of my voicemails that you please contact me directly via email.

Instead you have chosen to only contact my mother, who has told you multiple times that she is acting as my mother and not my attorney, rather than contact me, and that you haven't even cc'd me on the emails. As this situation concerns me, if it is my mother whom you choose to communicate with, at the very least I would hope that you would copy me on any communication.

I feel that further delay is unwarranted and unacceptable if this is indeed a meeting that Mr. Stobby wants to have.

If not, then fine, but frankly please do not string me along. I cannot promise that I will be receptive to discussion of such a meeting in the future. While I of course cannot control whether or not you or Mr. Stobby actually want this meeting to happen in a private forum, I humbly ask that before you insist on simply bumping me a week, you please share this email with Mr. Stobby, and make sure that he is fully informed, and leave the decision to him as to whether or not to have this meeting expeditiously in a private forum.

It is currently 9:05 am, Pacific time, just past the start of a traditional workday. From my years of friendship with Mr. Stobby, I know that he often wakes up in the middle of the night to start working, so I am sure that he is likely reachable at this time.

I would sincerely appreciate a concrete response, either way, as to whether or not Mr. Stobby actually wants to participate in this meeting, which I would expect to take place within the next day or so. Respectfully, I would like to receive a response by lunchtime today, say 1:05 pm Pacific so that I can at the very least have some closure on my feelings for the week ahead.

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Please contact me directly (if you are more comfortable also including my mother, that is fine with me as we are together, but I respectfully insist on being in the loop of communication in matters that concern me, and am hopeful that you will honor my requests from my voicemails that you contact me directly).

Thank you so much for your time and prompt attention to this matter, Clarke Fitzsimmons

**Brie Mills** <brie@sadatlawgroup.com><br/>To: Clarke <clarke.fitzsimmons@gmail.com>

Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 5:13 PM

Clarke,

I'm sorry there was a miscommunication about whether I was going to call you. I appreciate that this is a difficult time for you and that you'd like to resolve things with Lee before this upcoming anniversary. With that in mind, Lee is willing to speak privately with you this week if you agree to remove all of the posts and sign a confidentiality agreement. These parameters are intended to encourage a productive conversation and peaceful resolution between you and Lee.

The alternative, and what I discussed with your mother, is to have an informal mediation, which is more of "conciliation" process. We have worked with the Center for Conflict Resolution at Loyola Law School with a lot of success in the past. Information about the program can be found here: https://www.lls.edu/academics/centers/loyolacenterforconflictresolut ion/. This route, however, cannot be accomplished quickly. It will take some time to schedule and set up.

Please let me know if you are open to the having a private meeting with Lee this week as outlined above.

Best regards,

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**Brie Mills** <brie@sadatlawgroup.com> To: Clarke <clarke.fitzsimmons@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 6:20 PM

Clarke,

I hope you are well. I did not get a response from you regarding the proposal to set up a mediation with Lee. Lee told me that he had a missed phone call from you over the weekend. It seemed like a positive sign that you were trying to reach out to Lee to have a conservation. While we certainly believe that a discussion would be the most efficient and productive means of resolving this situation, the best forum to do so is a structured mediation with a neutral third party.

As I mentioned previously, the mediation that we are proposing is a more informal process through Loyola Law School's Conflict Resolution Center. I'd be happy to give you more information about the program. Our clients who have used the

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Conflict Resolution Center have appreciated the supportive and collaborative approach that the mediators use. Both sides come away feeling that they've been heard and are able to get some positive closure. I truly think that the process would benefit both you and Lee tremendously.

Please let me know if you are willing to agree to mediation.

Best regards,

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