

In re CashCall, Inc.,
John Paul Reddam, President and CEO of CashCall, Inc.,
and WS Funding, LLC

Case No. 12-308

Disqualification Order

The Commissioner of the NH Banking Department delegated to me the authority to serve as a Presiding Officer. I am serving as Presiding Officer in the Cash Call case, No. 12-308.

I have not issued any substantive orders in Cash Call; my role to date has been to handle scheduling. A scheduling conference was held on May 22, 2014.

Last year, I was asked to write a chapter in a publication regarding the NH Consumer Protection Act, RSA 358-A. With the help of two associates, I submitted the Chapter. I did not receive anything of value for this service. I worked with an editor, Kenneth Rubinstein of Preti, Flaherty, Beliveau & Pachios LLP.

On May 17, 2014, I received an email from the publisher announcing the publication and listing the editors and authors. Attorney Michael Delaney was the second editor for the publication. Before I received the email, I don't believe I had any contact with Attorney Delaney and I am not sure that I even knew he was acting as an editor.

Attorney Delaney represents Cash Call. The email was fresh in my mind and at the end of the May 22nd conference; I made reference to the publication, Attorney Delaney's role as an editor and my authorship of a chapter.

The May 21, 2014 issue of the Bar News contained an advertisement on page 16 taken out by Preti, Flaherty. While the advertisement focused on the contributions of Preti, Flaherty lawyers, it identified Attorney Delaney as an editor and me as an author.

As a Presiding Officer, I am governed by general ethical obligations as well as the Code of Judicial Conduct. In particular, I am obligated to disqualify myself in any proceeding in which my impartiality might reasonably be questioned. Rule 38, Canon 2, Rule 2.11. As in all my professional duties, I strive to exceed the standards of conduct established by rules. Scope Note [4]

Also, in this particular case, there is an overarching fact at play. As I stated previously, I have issued no substantive orders. There are a number of lawyers who could serve as a Presiding Officer in this case.

Taking all of this into consideration, I have decided to disqualify myself.

SO ORDERED,

6/9/14
Date

/s/
Stephen J. Judge, Esq.
Presiding Officer
State of New Hampshire
Banking Department