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Elena Ruth Sassower Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. P.O. Box 8101 White Plains, New York 14602

Re: Complaint against Sarah L. Fifield, Esq.

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 29, 2024. Staff Counsel as reviewed your submission and determined that no action by this office is warranted.

The function of the Attorney Grievance Committee is to investigate and prosecute acts of professional misconduct committed by attorneys. After carefully reviewing your correspondence, we are unable to determine any professional misconduct on the part of this attorney. Your complaint alleges that Sarah Fifield, acting in her capacity as Attorney for the Child, engaged in "conflict-of-interest/corruption" with regard to the Monroe County Family Court matter NA-01235-21. Our investigative authority does not extend to reviewing complaints about an attorney's exercise of judgement or decision making during the course of a legal matter.

This office is unable to conclude that Ms. Fifield disregarded a conflict of interest or was involved in corruption with regard to the matter in your complaint, and this file will be closed pursuant to 22 NYCRR 1240.7(d)(1).

Please be advised of the confidentiality provisions of 90(10) of the Judiciary Law.

Very truly yours,

Eftihia Bourtis Principal Attorney

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cc: Sarah Fifield, Esq.