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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: CA16-762

GASPER LAZZARA, an individual,
Plaintiff,

vs.

DUSS KENNEY SAFER HAMPTON &
JOOS, P.A., and JOHN S. DUSS,
IV, Individually,
Defendant.

DEPOSITION OF FRANK R. KEASLER, JR.,
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1 to hold you to that, February 5, 2020, did you have
2 any additional conversations, either in office or
3 via phone with Mr. Anderson or Mr. Whitney
4 concerning these Estate documents that we just
5 discussed?

6 A No, ma'am.

7 MS. CONNOR: All right. Those are all
8 the questions that I have, Mr. Keasler. Thank
9 you very much.

10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. ANDERSON:

12 Q Hi, Frank.

13 Do you have a phone with a 339 exchange
14 at all?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q You do?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Okay. And I'm looking on my iPhone right
19 here because I want to be sure. What I have is
20 (904) 339-0255.

21 A Yes.

22 Q Is that one of your phones?

23 A Yes. It's a phone that goes to my desk
24 in my office.

25 Q Okay. And that has an answering machine

1 on it, does it not?

2 A It does.

3 Q When was the last time you checked that?

4 A I check it once a week.

5 Q Well, let me ask you, and I realize this
6 is going back a year. But do you remember a message
7 from me on that phone about the fact that I had
8 contacted Francine Walker with the prosecution's
9 office? Do you remember that?

10 A I don't, but that doesn't mean --

11 Q Does that sound familiar?

12 A No. I don't have any recollection of
13 that. I'm not saying it didn't happen. I'm just
14 saying that I don't have any recollection of it.

15 Q That you told me that if it were anybody
16 else other than John Travolta that you had a chance
17 of coming back.

18 Do you remember that, anything about
19 that?

20 A I don't, Greg.

21 Q Okay. That the Bar was scared that if
22 they did anything to let you out early they would
23 attract negative publicity because Travolta.

24 Do you remember anything about that?

25 A I do not.

1 Q Well, her name is Francine Walker, class
2 of '77 out of Episcopal, and you can check the
3 Florida Bar Prosecutor's Office you don't believe me
4 on it. I left you a message; I didn't go dark on
5 you.

6 Now, I apologize for not taking all of
7 your calls, but you are witness in the case and I
8 can't have that much contact.

9 So with that in mind, you were the
10 Personal Representative of the Estate of Bill Duss
11 -- excuse me --

12 A You know, Greg, and this has nothing to
13 do with this case. Just so you, Mike Ossi,
14 Travolta's lawyer testified in my proceeding that if
15 it hadn't have been for Frank Keasler John Travolta
16 would have a museum in Ocala instead of a home in
17 Ocala. And that he remembers distinctly in December
18 of 2008 going down to the Bahamas and celebrating
19 what Frank had been able to get done that two dozen
20 lawyers over 15 years had not been able to get done,
21 and that is to get this matter settled. So I find
22 it a little bit absurd that the Bar would be giving
23 a damn about John Travolta.

24 Q I do not blame you one bit. I was only
25 asking you those questions to see if it refreshed