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April 6, 2016

Mr. Kevin Stockstill
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Re: O'Neil Darden

Dear Kevin:

I am in receipt of the investigative file prepared by the Louisiana State Police in connection with the investigation into allegations of Felony Theft, Computer Fraud, and Obstruction of Justice at the Cypress Bayou Casino. As I understand, the matter involving your client, O'Neil Darden, has been forwarded to the United States Attorney for review for prosecution.

I have not spoken with Mr. Dan McCoy, the AUSA to whom the case was submitted. Therefore, I do not know if he intends to retain the matter or forward it to Tribal Court for handling. That being said, before I begin the process of reviewing the investigative materials I want to memorialize our telephone conversation in which I disclosed the fact that I am employed by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana as the Tribal Prosecutor. Obviously, I need to resolve the issue of whether I may even handle the prosecution without violation to my ethical obligations under the Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct and the Chitimacha Rules of Professional Conduct. I am in the process of reviewing those conflict canons and seeking a legal opinion. In the interim, please discuss this issue with your client so that we may move forward in the event there is no ethical impediment to my handling of the case, and in the event the matter is referred to Tribal Court for handling.

Thanking you in advance for your usual professional courtesies, I remain

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Sincerely,

R. Vines
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Chitimacha Tribal Prosecutor

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