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Application to Venture Capitalists for capital to develop as a for-profit business Judicial Discipline Reform: Making money while doing justice

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- 1. This is an application-cum-prospectus for venture capital —not a loan— to develop my business of law research and writing, and strategic thinking. I have devised the out-of-court inform and outrage strategy for forming a national civic movement for exposing unaccountable judges' riskless abuse of power. It aims to do something inherently appealing: jointly demand compensation for the abusees and lead to reform. The public is attracted to this information, for it has a *MeToo!* attitude that is intolerant of any form of abuse. For proof, my website at http://www.Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org has 27,542+ subscribers(†>OL2:Appendix 3). The business will monetize its appeal.
- 2. The business has no competitor. By contrast, it has a very large potential customer base: Every year more than 50 million new suits are filed in the state and federal courts(*>jur:8^{4, 5}). To them must be added the scores of millions of suits pending or deemed to have been wrongly or wrongfully decided. Given that it is in the nature of suits that 50% of the parties to them lose, and even many winners do not win every element of their requested relief, it is understandable that there is a huge untapped leaderless voting bloc of The Dissatisfied with the Judicial and Legal System.
- 3. The potential customers include many among the wealthiest of society, that is, individuals and companies who can afford legal representation by lawyers and even by top law firms, as opposed to self-representation as pro ses. Indeed, according to the official statistics of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, 93% of appeals to the federal circuit courts are disposed of in orders that are "on procedural grounds [e.g., the catchall pretext of "lack of jurisdiction"], unsigned, unpublished, without comment, and by consolidation", called summary orders(†>OL2: 457§D).
- 4. These are unresearched, unreasoned, arbitrary, fiat-like orders. They are contained in forms with a blank for a single operative word to be filled in: "denied" or "affirmed". Judges use these forms to dump out of their caseload the vast majority of motions and appeals. They have these dumping forms rubberstamped by their clerks, to whom they are not authorized to delegate judicial power. Since the objective is not to 'administer justice according to the rule of law', but rather to dump most of the caseload, clerks expediently preserve the status quo, which requires no brief reading.
- 5. It follows that 93% of the parties would not have been worse off in legal terms if they had taken no appeal or filed no motion. Yet, in financial terms they are much worse off, for a brief costs \$1Ks and even \$10Ks(OL2:760) to produce only for it to be dumped out of court with a 5¢ dumping form bearing the clerk of court's rubberstamped signature. While that 93% gets pro forma justice; the remaining 7% gets a reasoned and published opinion signed by judges. Our business is to inform this 93% of regular and wealthy parties of the waste of money and unequal protection of the law that they have suffered; outrage them at judges; and provide them motivators to buy our services(OL2:978§E), e.g., to seek the refund of filing fees and compensation for wasteful briefs.

A. An original study and the website based thereon as the business foundation

6. The foundation of the business is my 2-volume study* † of judges and their judiciaries. It is based on original law research and analysis of the statistics that the courts submit to Congress and the public, and other writings of judges and reports of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. It is titled and downloadable thus: Exposing Judges' Unaccountability and Consequent Riskless Abuse of Power: Pioneering the news and publishing field of judicial unaccountability reporting*†.

- 7. To my proven skills as a researcher and writer are added my academic qualifications: I hold a Ph.D. in law from the world renown University of Cambridge in England; a law degree with thesis from La Sorbonne in Paris; and a Master in Business Administration from The University of Michigan.
- 8. Based on my study, I opened and maintain my site. Visit it* so that you may appreciate what has led visitors to subscribe(†>App 3) to its articles. Subscribers are attracted to tightly reasoned text with(*†>footnote-like references) without pictures, and what we all are overloaded with: information. They can be presumed to be the most educated and well-off of visitors. The study and the site aim to cause subscribers and the rest of the public, *We the People*, to join forces to do out of court what has proven impossible to do in court: hold judges accountable and liable to their victims.
- 9. Judges exonerate themselves from 100% of complaints against them and deny 100% of petitions to review those dismissals(†>OL2:918). The politicians who recommended, endorsed, nominated, and confirmed or appointed them protect them as 'our men and women on the bench'. Thus, judges are held by themselves and politicians unaccountable. As a result, they grab benefits risklessly.
- 10. Unaccountability is the hallmark of 'absolute power, which corrupts absolutely'(jur:28²⁷). Abuse that is riskless and profitable(jur:27§2) becomes irresistible. It enables self-elevation to Judges Above the Law. *The People*, the masters of all public servants, including judicial public servants, are attracted by a strategy to bring Judges down to where they can be held accountable and liable.
- 11. There is current precedent for the proposition that the abuse by the government can be turned into an opportunity to do justice while making money: Former CBS Reporter Sharryl Attkisson(*>OL: 215) noticed suspicious behaviors in her office and home computers. She and CBS hired three independent Information Technology (IT) experts to examine them. They found digital dust that allowed them to conclude that the computers had been hacked by the Department of Justice. The latter wanted to eavesdrop on the two stories by Reporter Attkisson that were embarrassing it and the rest of the Obama administration(OL2:980§F). Rep. Attkisson is suing DoJ for \$35 million.

B. Every meaningful cause needs resources for its advancement; none can be advanced without money: need for, and intended use of, capital

- 12. Capital is needed to run my office and continue my research and writing, and strategic thinking. Given its large number of visitors and subscribers, my website can be developed into a profit center. For a fee on a one-time or subscription basis or a percentage of the recovery, people can be offered the services described in my business plan(OL2:563), e.g., research, consulting, representation, education, publications(jur:131§§b-g). Fee generation calls for enhancing my site into:
 - a. a clearinghouse for complaints about judges that anybody can upload(OL2:792); and
 - b. **a research center** for auditing(*>OL:274-280, 304-307) many complaints in search of the most persuasive type of evidence: patterns, trends, and schemes of abuse(OL2:614); offering a search engine based on artificial intelligence and natural language, e.g., Google's, to perform statistical, linguistic, and literary analysis(*>jur:132\\$b; *>OL:42, 60) on the orders, decisions, and other writings of one judge, the judges of a court, and those of a judiciary.
- 13. The website can sell advertisement space to law book publishers, such as WestLaw and Lexis Nexis; law firms and other law research and brief writing services; child protection services, family law, and probate and bankruptcy organizations that decry abuse by judges and their cronies(*>jur: 32§2, 81¹⁶⁹); law schools, which are in dire need of new students to counter their steadily dwindling enrollment and can offer online and on campus educational services(*>dcc) tailored to pro ses and advocates of honest judiciaries; convention organizers; hotels; airlines; financial institutions; etc.

C. A program of activities to support the site and the formation of the movement

- 14. There is a full program of activities(OL2:978§E) requiring capital and skillful personnel which I propose to organize and participate in to support the business and drive more people to the website:
 - a. the publication of one(†>OL2:938) or a series of articles(OL2:719§C) in reputable newspapers and magazines. They can have a transformational impact on the judicial and legal system similar to that had on society by the exposés of Harvey Weinstein's sexual predation published by *The New York Times* and *The New Yorker* on October 5 and 10, 2017, respectively. Within days, they gave rise to the *MeToo!* movement here and abroad. Since then, sexual abusees that used to suffer their abuse in silence, shame, and isolation have gathered and self-assertively shout the rallying cry that victims of judges' abuse of power can also shout nationwide: *Enough is enough!* We won't take any abuse by anybody anymore.
 - b. a tour(*>OL:197§G) of Programmatic Presentations(†>OL2:821-824) on forming a national movement for judicial abuse exposure, compensation, and reform, held at journalism, business, law, and IT schools to address their still idealistic students; bar associations; press clubs and media outlets; think tanks; public defender, civic, and public integrity organizations; etc.;
 - c. the holding of half or one day seminars for teaching how a judicial and legal system works by participants role-playing(*>OL:359\$F) its members and applying dynamic analysis of harmonious and conflicting interests and strategic thinking(dcc:8¶11, 17¶1; Lsch:14\$\$2-3);
 - d. a hands-on, role-playing, fraud investigative and expository multidisciplinary course for undergraduate or graduate students followed by a conference to present its findings(*>dcc);
 - e. the promotion of a franchise of law clinics, internships, departments, and firms staffed by idealistic students(OL2:571¶24a), newly graduated lawyers, and the glut of unemployed ones, to represent the flood of parties that upon learning how they were abused will file motions for vacating abusive orders and remand for new trial or appellate process, and join nationally to demand the refund of filing fees and compensation for unread briefs(OL2:760);
 - f. the accelerated effort to make a presentation to each of the 20+ presidential candidates, each of whom is desperate to become the standard-bearer of an issue that causes public outrage and earns him or her national media and public attention; campaign volunteers; and higher poll ratings and donations. The latter are indispensable to fund their campaigns and meet the more demanding requirements to qualify for the next nationally televised presidential debate. For presidential candidates that fail to qualify, the death knell for their campaigns may toll. The candidates can reasonably be expected to welcome the opportunity to hear how to attract the support of the huge untapped leaderless voting bloc of The Dissatisfied(supra 2);
 - g. the holding of a press conference with candidates and/or other VIPs, e.g., the newly elected House representatives, many of whom are anti-Establishment and members of minorities, whose pro se litigants are systematically abused by judges(OL2:455§B), to make an Emile Zola's *I accuse!*-like(*>jur:98§2) denunciation of judges' institutionalized abuse(jur:49§4);
 - h. promotion of unprecedented citizen hearings(OL2:812§E) on judges' abuse, to be held at universities and media stations, and conducted by journalists, journalism professors, fraud and forensic analysts, and IT experts, to hear victims of, and witnesses(OL2:787§D) to, abuse;
 - i. the launch of a multidisciplinary academic and business venture(jur:119§1) that leads to the creation of the institute for judicial unaccountability reporting and reform advocacy(jur:131§5) attached to a top university and collaborating with investigative media outlets;

- j. the journalistic investigation of judges' most outrageous abuse: their interception of people's emails and mail to detect and suppress those critical of judges, maintain their pretense of honesty, and ward off constitutional checks and balances by the other branches(OL2:901);
- k. the investigation of a unique national story: a bankruptcy fraud scheme(OL2:614) involving \$100s of billions(*>jur:27\\$2, 65\\$\\$1-3) and harming millions of people who are bankrupt and, unable to afford a lawyer, become easy prey of judges and their cronies(jur:32\\$2, 81\frac{169}{2});
- 1. the organization(*>dcc:11) and holding of the first-ever and national, multimedia interactive conference(jur:97§1) on judges' abuse to promote abuse exposure, compensation, and reform;
- m. advocacy of the petition to Congress by 34 states –thus satisfying the requirement of Art. V of the Constitution– since April 2, 2014, for a constitutional convention(†>OL2:878¶15), which can transform the American governance system into one where for the first time in history *the People*, the source of all public power in "government of, by, and for the people" (jur:82¹⁷²), hold their judges accountable and liable to compensate the victims of their abuse.

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This is an opportunity for you to be recognized by a grateful *People* as one of their Champions of Justice. So, I look forward to hearing from you.