

STRAW! WHAT IS THIS SUSPENSION STUFF ALL ABOUT? (OK, in 6 pages, this is it)

1. **Retaliation** by my former employer for making an ADA complaint about them, first and foremost. They were so brazen that they used the ADA Coordinator of the Indiana Supreme Court to attack me.
2. **Violation of a federal injunction.** Indiana Supreme Court has a permanent injunction that should have stopped them from attacking me based on mental disabilities I revealed on the bar exam application form in 1998 and 2001.
3. **Attacking 4 cases** under the ADA that I filed, one with about 150 ADA violations (Streamwood, Illinois, businesses lacking all handicap parking) as the background story.
4. ***Straw v. Kloecker***. The first case was about preventing a large Chicago law firm from demanding that I give my Medicare claims database access to its *newspaper client* that had defamed me, printing that my civil rights work was “extortion.” It was not extortion. The law firm threatened \$1,000 per day penalties that Medicare later said were impossible. The law firm was connected to the

federal judge, who called my case “frivolous.” So did the 7th Circuit. This was my first federal civil lawsuit that I ever filed. Why did it happen? Because I was on the front page of the newspaper twice demanding that Streamwood businesses create about 150 handicap spaces that the Village confirmed were missing in an audit. The newspaper editor and the Chamber of Commerce attacked me viciously. The Chamber had no handicap parking whatsoever and was really angry at me for bringing attention to it. The Chamber Executive Director initially screamed at me in her parking lot and said her lot did not need handicap parking. So I got abuse for my civil rights work topped with defamation frosted with a federal judge calling me defending myself and my reputation and my own health privacy “frivolous.” Despite my amateur status filing a lawsuit, this case was fundamentally sound, not frivolous. **The case was not frivolous.**

5. ***Straw v. American Bar Association.*** The Law School Admission Test was being administered from the beginning of the test long ago until 2014 by flagging disabled people who asked accommodations and telling law schools who they were. I felt that the ABA should collect statistics from law schools to track whether things get better or worse, after U.S.

DOJ agreed to a nearly \$8 million settlement with LSAC. I was denied with hokey criticisms, but **the judge did not call my case frivolous**. He just said I did not have standing, which was false, but I did not appeal. This was my second federal civil lawsuit that I ever filed.

6. ***Rutherford v. Zalas***. This case was about protecting the right of a mentally disabled parent to have parenting time and the federal judge had the nerve to call my filings frivolous. He allowed the defendant to attack me in a reply so that I could not respond. He attacked the *Kloecker* case, above. The case was not frivolous and the principles of applying the ADA, Title II, to parenting time has been supported by the National Council on Disabilities and the American Bar Association. This case was not frivolous and I sustained a \$10,000 insurance deductible cost because the judge hinted that the case may be frivolous. **It was not frivolous**. It was in fact quite critical to the rights of all disabled parents in the Northern District of Indiana that I win, but I lost because of hostility and failure to understand the gravity of the rights being denied.
7. ***Straw v. Sconiers***. The ADA Coordinator sent notice of her disciplinary attack to an attorney who was

suing me for malpractice. My former client, however, said under oath in a deposition that her sexual harasser at work had left employment there, she got raises the next three years, and liked working there again after I helped her. She said she wanted to retire from there. This means she had no damages and she was going to lose. She claimed that I should have sued her employer, but she was never fired, got raises, and the environment improved after I helped her. I did not get even 1 cent for this, but instead was sued for not suing when my contract specifically said I was only doing negotiations for her, not trial work. I said it in my contract! So the Indiana Supreme Court stepped in through its ADA Coordinator and the attorney for my ex-client dutifully put these Indiana Supreme Court interference emails into the trial court record. This is about the biggest violation of my due process rights that I could possibly imagine. It showed that the Indiana Supreme Court is biased against me. And this has been true through that malpractice case, which the Supreme Court and violative federal courts have used to call me incompetent. This was a brutal attack on my reputation and was false and demeaning and hateful. I should have had relief in my federal case, but guess what? The judge called

my filing against the Indiana Supreme Court “frivolous.” **It was not frivolous.**

And then, Indiana plowed ahead with a series of dishonest actions that resulted in the following:

1. My **Indiana law license** was suspended.
2. **4 U.S. District Courts** suspended my licenses with no hearing (S.D. Ind., N.D. Ind., N.D. Ill.) and in one case no hearing, notice, no chance to respond or defend myself (W.D. Wis.)—no process at all.
3. The **ABA** terminated my membership even though the Virginia State Bar called the Indiana attack with its ADA Coordinator a “drive-by shooting.”
4. The **11th Circuit** refused to let me represent my family, poisoned by the U.S. Marine Corps even though I had been working on this for my family for 5 years. The Chief Judge of the 11th Circuit cited Indiana’s discipline. My family lost 3 appeals worth **\$15,100,000**, including for my mother’s death, all thanks to Indiana and “frivolous.”
5. The **7th Circuit** has been completely unhelpful. I have never won a single case that I brought on

appeal regarding any disability issue whatsoever. The Chief Judge even hired one of my defendants to be a judge for the 7th Circuit while I was suing him at the 7th Circuit. **Not just any defendant: my Indiana Supreme Court hearing officer!!!** The person who advised the Indiana Supreme Court to injure me to the maximum degree possible and who stated there were no mitigating factors at all. **Like, hmm, my broken legs and pelvis working for that Court in 2001? Maybe that merits listening to me on ADA issues rather than tearing me down from a position of ignorance about disability issues?** They don't even see their own ethical violations and they threaten me when I complain. The 7th Circuit is no better than the other federal courts or the Indiana Supreme Court, because it defends every legal and constitutional and ethical violation I bring to it.

It is a horrendous and painful situation I have been dealing with ever since the Indiana Supreme Court was ungrateful about my broken legs and pelvis in service to that Court and unlawfully forced information about my mental illness from U.S. Marine Corps poisoning and then injured me on that basis for the next 16 years.

That's what the suspension business is about.