

Minnesota Client Security Board

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CLIENT SECURITY BOARD APPROVES CLAIMS

ST. PAUL -- At its September 2013 meeting, the Minnesota Client Security Board approved payment of six claims, in the total amount of \$47,828.92, against disbarred attorneys Deno W. Berndt, Lawrence W. Ulanowski, and Barry V. Voss, and suspended attorney Theresa A. Freeman.

The Board approved one claim against Deno W. Berndt in the amount of \$26,179.92. The Board has now approved 13 claims against Berndt in the total amount of \$423,124.61. Berndt last practiced law in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was disbarred by the Minnesota Supreme Court in March 2012. A previously approved claim was denied because the claimant was able to recover through other sources.

The Board approved two claims against Barry V. Voss in the total amount of \$17,400. Voss last practiced in Edina, Minnesota. He was disbarred by the Minnesota Supreme Court in May 2013.

The Board approved two claims against Lawrence W. Ulanowski in the total amount of \$2,249. Ulanowski last practiced in Brainerd, Minnesota. He was disbarred by the Minnesota Supreme Court in July 2013.

The Board approved one claim against Theresa A. Freeman in the total amount of \$2,000. Freeman last practiced law in Edina, Minnesota. Freeman was suspended by the Minnesota Supreme Court in November 2012.

The Client Security Fund was established by the Minnesota Supreme Court, and is funded by Minnesota attorneys to reimburse clients who suffer loss of money or other property from the dishonest conduct of their attorney. The Fund does not cover losses resulting from the malpractice or negligence of lawyers. The Fund is administered by a Board appointed by the Court, and consists of five lawyer members and two non-lawyer members. All serve without compensation as a public service.

For more information on the Client Security Fund, visit the Board's Web site at <http://csb.mncourts.gov>.

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