

No.:

In the
Supreme Court of the United States

Andrew U. D. Straw,
Petitioner,

v.

U.S. District Court, N. District of Indiana,
Respondent.

On Petition for a Writ of Certiorari
to the Seventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals
Case Number 18-1387

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

Whether the District Court below erred in dismissing my case by claiming it was redundant with a disciplinary case that gave me no possibility of obtaining money damages.

Whether denying my *IFP* status at the District and Circuit levels was yet more bias so that the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit could summarily dismiss my appeal and protect the due process violations of the district court below, especially when my *IFP* status was **GRANTED** in a Court of Appeals case earlier in 2017. *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 17-2523 (7th Cir.) (Dkt. 9) The Seventh Circuit has demonstrated its permanent bias against me (attainting me) by **hiring my appellee** in *Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 17-1338 (7th Cir.).

Whether, when the Court of Appeals did not summarily affirm, but erred simply demanding the \$505 that it knows I cannot pay due to the poverty (created by 7th Circuit courts, state and federal) that motivated its earlier in 2017 **granting** my *IFP* status. This means denying my *IFP* now was done in bad faith at both levels. *See, IFP* form attached here.

My federal law license in the district court below was taken with no legitimate hearing by a fair and neutral tribunal. The only real hearing I had, by the Virginia State Bar, exonerated me and criticized the “drive-by shooting” Indiana did against me. Whether compensatory and punitive damages are now due.

PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDINGS BELOW

I, *petitioner* Andrew U. D. Straw, a disability rights advocate living in Kane County, Illinois, have been deprived of **5 law licenses** because the courts of the 7th Circuit at the appellate and district level have dishonestly deprived me of due process, even having **hired my appellee, James R. Ahler**, making him into a judge and a millionaire on the U.S. Treasury payroll and then violated me with **bias and prejudice**, favoritism of the highest order. I cannot depend on the 7th Circuit to give me the time of day, much less justice.

Respondent U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana is an entity of the United States and must be responsible for its actions when it violates the 5th Amendment by taking my right to a law license without procedural due process, namely a hearing before a fair and neutral tribunal. *In Re Ruffalo*, 390 U.S. 544 (1968); *Bivens v. Six Unknown Agents*, 403 U.S. 388 (1971); *Carey v. Piphus*, 435 U.S. 247 (1978).

CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

No corporations are parties, and there are no parent companies or publicly held companies owning any corporation's stock to my knowledge. The U.S. District Court is a federal government entity and subject to the Fifth Amendment. I, *petitioner* Andrew U. D. Straw, am a suspended Indiana attorney and I live in Kane County, Illinois. My federal licenses were suspended because of the Indiana Supreme Court and the failure of the Southern District of Indiana and the 7th Circuit to protect me. My suspended licenses: N.D. Ind., S.D. Ind., and N.D. Ill, and W.D. Wis.

The **Northern District of Indiana** U.S. District Court, *appellee* here, suspended me, with no hearing and inadequate process. There were no hearings, no opportunity to meaningfully object in any fashion whatsoever, with my defense documents ignored instead of properly considered. The **Seventh Circuit** has hired one of my Indiana Supreme Court **appellees** and favored him and the others. Namely, the corrupt disciplinary "hearing" officer, **James R. Ahler.**

I am a citizen judicially attainted in violation of the Fifth Amendment, with disabilities from public service to the **Indiana Supreme Court** and the **U.S. Marine Corps**. I am poor. I use public housing and food stamps because I seem unable to get justice as a disabled citizen and lawyer from any court in the 7th Circuit, including the 7th Circuit.

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PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Petitioner respectfully petitions for a writ of certiorari to review the judgment of the Seventh Circuit in this case.

OPINIONS BELOW

The state court's opinion is reported as *In Re Straw*, 68 N.E.3d 1070 (Ind., 2/14/2017). I sought review because the Indiana discipline is disability discrimination against me as a former employee of that state court, but **no federal court would review it**: *Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 17-1338 (7th Cir., cert. denied 1/8/2018). The same district court that would not review the discipline for discrimination imposed it reciprocally and suspended my federal law license with **no hearing**. On appeal, this was upheld based on the *in-absentia* hearing of the hearing officer the 7th Circuit **hired** as my appellee, James R. Ahler. *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 17-2523 (7th Cir.) (Dkt. 36, 12/21/2017), 17-7499, ___U.S.___ (petition for certiorari denied on 3/19/2018—my birthday). The decision below on review here is *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 18-1387, (7th Cir., 3/26/2018) and this ORDER denying IFP status and my right to a law license and the ability to use the Court below was done on **March 26, 2018**.

JURISDICTION

The relevant judgment below was entered on March 26, 2018. Jurisdiction to this Honorable Court from the Court of Appeals is under 28 U.S.C. §1254. The time limit for appeal is 90 days from the 7th Circuit decision done on March 26, 2018. The deadline is June 24, 2018. 28 U.S.C. §2101(c). Original jurisdiction in the Courts below is under the Fifth Amendment as a *Bivens* and *Carey* and *In Re Ruffalo* claim due to taking my license without the process due, namely **a proper, unconflicted hearing**, and the absolute failure of due process in stripping my law license below indefinitely, preventing me from using the ADA to protect disabled people in that district. *Bell v. Hood*, 327 U.S. 678 (1946), provides that constitutional claims always confer jurisdiction on federal courts and my statute of limitations is 2 years. We are not even close to 2 years yet.

CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION AT ISSUE

U.S. Constitution, Amendment V

App'x at A4

INTRODUCTION

I, petitioner Andrew U. D. Straw, am petitioning for a writ of certiorari from this Honorable Court because the Indiana Supreme Court imposed discipline on me suspending my law license and did so

in violation of my rights as a disabled lawyer and disability rights advocate who used to work there. That Court also did not provide me with any fair tribunal or hearing because it is my former employer where I got these disabilities and they are vindictive former bosses of mine who are trying to impose more injuries.

The matter on appeal here is the reciprocal suspension imposed by the Northern District of Indiana after providing no hearing, and refusing to file or consider my defensive pleadings properly offered after the Indiana suspension took effect. I have had no legitimate hearing from Indiana and the only real hearing I had was from the Virginia State Bar, which called the Indiana attack using its ADA coordinator “a drive-by shooting.” See, App’x at A8-A9. The 3-member panel of the VSB Disciplinary Board stated that *I proved*, by clear and convincing evidence, that I should not be disciplined. I proved this by the standard that the disciplinary body must meet. This is like a criminal defendant proving his *innocence* beyond a reasonable doubt. App’x at A6-A9.

The Indiana hearing officer was conflicted by being a candidate for Indiana Supreme Court justice while presiding over my case. He made copious errors and omissions to make it seem like my disabilities were *not* from working at the Indiana Supreme Court

when in fact my broken legs and pelvis happened while driving to the Indiana Supreme Court to work. He also omitted that the person who complained was the ADA coordinator for the Indiana Supreme Court when she in fact made her complaint in direct ***retaliation*** for my own 2014 ADA complaint to her just days before. His lies and omissions and his being hired by the 7th Circuit while my appellee are a disgrace to the bench. Instead of my losing so much, James R. Ahler should be banned from the practice of law forever.

The Indiana hearing officer was out for himself only, and when I sued him in federal court, on appeal he applied for a bankruptcy judge position and the 7th Circuit hired him while he was still my appellee, then denied me justice exactly 3 weeks later, favoring all my appellees when equity should have granted me total victory. See, App'x at A5. This violated the ethical rule not to favor a party or be biased in any way. It violated my 5th Amendment right to procedural due process and a fair and unbiased tribunal. Hiring my *appellee* made that *appellee's* hearing officer report completely bogus, unreliable, and illegitimate to use for *any* reason.

The 7th Circuit violated my right to have a fair and unbiased tribunal on appeal and demonstrated that I have never had a fair appeal before that court in the

past nearly 4 years, since Indiana started attacking me in 2014 and went after my very first appeal to any court of appeals. Hiring my *appellee* makes everything Indiana did fall to pieces because it demonstrates my 5th & 14th Amendment rights to a fair tribunal was decimated repeatedly. I cannot get justice from any of the lower courts. It is impossible.

The District Court has a problem with telling the truth. He said that I was a “frequent” pro se filer in that Court, but I have only appeared pro se before that Court in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018. I have filed exactly 1 pro se case per year altogether. And why did I file those cases?

CASE 1: *Straw v. Sconiers* was about my former client colluding with the Indiana Supreme Court ADA coordinator to make me seem incompetent. I think any attorney would file that case because these people were lying about me. My client lost NOTHING in her sexual harassment case because she never lost her job, I got the offending supervisor to leave, she got raises every year for the next 3 years, and she sued me because the ADA coordinator was encouraging her. It was bad faith to file any lawsuit against me and bad faith for the Supreme Court to stick its fat thumb on the scales to hurt a former employee who broke both his legs and pelvis serving them. Preposterous & evil.

CASE 2: This case hardly counts because it is a refile of the original *Straw v. Sconiers* case. This judge insisted that I pay the filing fee when I only had money to pay for one case, so I chose to sue South Bend instead.

CASE 3: *Straw v. South Bend, et. al.*, 3:16-cv-342 (N.D. Ind.). The defendant settled with me after the FHWA agreed with me that South Bend had violated Title II of the ADA in its handicap parking scheme. FHWA also renounced South Bend's practice of leaving snow in accessible features, such as sidewalks. I have a similar case before the 7th Circuit now: *Straw v. Streamwood, et. al.*, 17-1867 (7th Cir.) The \$12,500 South Bend paid to me also covered the actions of the City ADA Coordinator. I have more problems with government attorney ADA coordinators because they don't know who they represent and who they are supposed to help. Such dual roles are unethical but common in Indiana.

CASE 4: Of course, this case is my fourth *pro se* case in the past 5 years. It can hardly be included in the count.

CASE 5: I am suing the 7th Circuit primarily for the 5th Amendment violation of my right for the Court of Appeals NOT TO HIRE MY APPELLEES and then favor them with nonsense law.

It is obvious that I am not a frequent *pro se* filer, and when I do file, it is either for an ADA violation or because the courts are violating my Fifth Amendment rights. The judge below was being dishonest in his ORDER by painting me as someone who files frivolous cases. I have NEVER filed any frivolous case, I don't care what he says. The judge is irate and abusive and uses the term frivolous to attack ADA cases and disabled lawyers. I know because he did it to me.

I also lost my ABA membership.¹ My losing the Indiana license and 4 district court licenses (including in the Court below) was used against me at the 11th Circuit to prevent me from representing my family members, suffering from the poisoning and **DEATH** from Camp LeJeune. *Straw v. United States*, 16-17573-GG (11th Cir.); 17-7536, ___U.S.___ (certiorari denied 3/19/2018).

To interfere with this poisoning justice over a couple of abusive federal judges spouting "frivolous" is **obscene**. My family lost their appeal for lack of prosecution when I was banned from bar membership. The 7th Circuit and the Indiana Supreme Court caused this. *Straw v. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit*, 2:18-cv-00028 (N.D. Ind.)

¹ *Straw v. ABA*, 1:17-cv-5714-RPP (N.D. Ill.)

I am suing the U.S. Supreme Court because it has participated in the denial of my justice by unconstitutionally using the Judiciary Act of 1925 in violation of my Fifth Amendment right to due process to deny certiorari petitions for well over 95% of the people who needed justice from this Court, even worse for people like me who ask justice IFP. This is THE ONLY COURT guaranteed by the Constitution itself. Every other court is OPTIONAL, and the low courts appear to see justice as being optional also. I am one of the people this Court has denied over and over and over; I have never been granted certiorari by this Court, with this being my 9th petition. *Straw v. U.S. Supreme Court*, 1:18-cv-299 (D.DC)

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The ABA honored me for being its “Spotlight” disabled lawyer for January 2014.² At the bottom of this article about me, it mentions that I was studying the relationship between disability, bar admission, and attorney discipline, and the violations of me fit this perfectly. The ABA was prescient in 2014.

² Comm’n on Disability Rights “Spotlight” Lawyer with Disabilities:

http://www.americanbar.org/groups/disabilityrights/initiatives_wards/spotlight/straw_a.html

No judge asked for me to be punished and I have never received any sanction from April 1999 until February 14, 2017. No client of mine made any complaint. No opposing counsel has ever made any complaint. The only person to make a complaint here was the Indiana Supreme Court **ADA Coordinator**, who worked for my old boss. This despicable situation has been aggravated and expanded by the federal courts at all levels. The district judge below has made matters worse. He freely uses the term frivolous not to attack frivolous cases, but to enact his own hostility and malice as ADA law, and he should be impeached.

This so-called Indiana ADA Coordinator complained that I complained. This is illegal. She violated me and disrupted my ADA career and violated my health privacy.

Indiana's discipline boils down to **retaliation**, since I complained just days before the ADA Coordinator retaliated. The Indiana Supreme Court clerk of court refused to file my petition for redress of grievances and this too was a due process violation.

Rule 3.1 and its comments encourage **law reform**. What Indiana did was completely self-serving malice poured onto a disabled lawyer **who used to work for them** who tried to use the ADA. That Court's Board of Law Examiners agreed with me

in 2006 that its law license encumbrances based on my Marine Corps disabilities appeared to violate Title II of the ADA. In 2006, I was successful in getting those encumbrances removed. I started this as a ***successful ADA Title II complainant*** against the Indiana Supreme Court.

People with disabilities need lawyers with disabilities. If the federal courts will not punish Indiana or their own members for the violations of me, so harsh, so wrong, will not even review the hateful manner in which I was treated, they should at least not encourage Indiana in its malice by imposing that malice **reciprocally without genuine analysis**, with no hearing, as here.

Indiana's faithless and false discipline has been heard quite enough. My side needs to be heard. Virginia State Bar called Indiana's discipline a "drive-by shooting" after the ***only bona fide hearing*** in the United States on this subject. Virginia is the only state bar or court anyone should listen to. *In Re Straw*, 17-000-108746 (VSB, Disciplinary Board, June 20, 2017). App'x at A6-A9.

Nobody else besides VSB gave me a real hearing using an impartial and fair tribunal. The Indiana hearing officer did not give me a real hearing because he was conflicted then, and his

conflicts only grew when the Seventh Circuit hired him to be a judge on June 15, 2017 and made him a millionaire from U.S. Treasury funds right before favoring him and the other appellees in my appeal on July 6, 2017. *Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al.*, 17-1338 (7th Cir. 7/6/2017). James R. Ahler's Seventh Circuit hiring notice is in the attached Appendix. App'x at A6.

The District Court falsely denied *IFP* status using his own malice as his reasoning, his own false statements such as that I am a frequent *pro se* filer in that Court when it is simply not true. Judges who say false things should be disregarded as engaging in arbitrary and capricious reasoning. The 7th Circuit applied its own malice to uphold that *IFP* ruling and denied me *IFP*, but apparently my case is not frivolous enough to simply dismiss it. This just shows how vile and rotten the morality of the 7th Circuit is when it knows that I live in poverty and I have shown it and it has been *adjudicated* multiple times in 2017.

My lawsuit to get compensation for the unlawful and unconstitutional removal of my law license *sans* hearing must be granted, my damages paid IN FULL. No amount of false reasoning must be allowed by the Courts below, which are biased against me, as evidenced in the 7th Circuit hiring the Indiana hearing officer when he was my appellee. App'x at A5.

REASONS FOR GRANTING THE WRIT

- I. Supreme Court Rule 10(c): “a United States court of appeals has decided an important question of federal law that has not been, but should be, settled by this Court, or has decided an important federal question in a way that conflicts with relevant decisions of this Court.”
- II. The Court of Appeals and the District Court have totally abandoned any semblance of due process for me and feel free to strip my law license and my ability to use the district court to enforce the ADA and other laws on behalf of clients. This is an inexcusable and impeachable method of violating a lawyer with disabilities from public service.
- III. The U.S. Supreme Court has taken strong positions on the importance of law licenses as a constitutional matter, and the U.S. District Court below has simply ignored the process needed to avoid miscarriages of justice.
- IV. Stripping an individual of the ability to use the courts via *IFP* status when that status was granted just a few months ago shows that *IFP* is administered in a capricious and arbitrary fashion that must be rejected as a national policy. If my case was not “frivolous” enough to summarily deny, it is valid enough to GRANT *IFP*.

CONCLUSION

This case is about protecting me from my former employer's discrimination and its collateral damage in the suspension of my Northern District of Indiana federal law license. These actions, called a "drive-by shooting" by the Virginia State Bar, are in fact a conspiracy against my civil rights. *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 17-2523 (7th Cir.) (SDIN suspension); 17-7499, ___U.S.___ (pet. for certiorari denied 3/19/2018); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 17-3550 (7th Cir.) (WIWD suspension) 17-8004, ___U.S.___ (pet. for certiorari); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 18-1117, 18-1118 (7th Cir., 3/16/2018) (ILND) 17-xxxx, ___U.S.___ (pet. for certiorari); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 1:18-cv-278 (E.D. Va.) (ILND, 5th Amendment money damages sought); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 2:18-cv-00043 (N.D. Ind.) (INND, 5th Amendment money damages sought), 18-1387 (7th Cir., this case); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 1:18-cv-607 (S.D. Ind.) (SDIN 5th Amendment money damages sought).

I want it to be crystal clear that I have done nothing in any case to merit the kind of vicious attacks on me by the 7th Circuit and its underling courts. I don't know what their problem is, but the problem is ***theirs***, and all my cases to defend my rights are fully justified and must NEVER be criticized. I am fighting for my honor, my family's honor, my rights as person

with disabilities from the U.S. Marine Corps and the Indiana Supreme Court.

I waiting for the respect I have ***earned***. I will keep filing cases every time one of these dishonest courts below inflicts some new invented injury to hurt me and the disabled people I represent. I would impeach every one of the dozens of judges who have denied my justice. I would put them in jail, after the amount of pain and suffering they inflicted on me and my family.

None of these courts or the Court of Appeals³ below have insisted that real, unconflicted hearings before a **fair tribunal** or other types of due process must be given to protect me. Even the Virginia State Bar hearing has been absolutely ***ignored*** in favor of Indiana and its dishonest hearing officer, **hired by the Court of Appeals while he was my appellee** as I challenged his bogus hearing, which was replete with ADA violations and unlawful omissions and falsehoods. App'x at A5, A6-A9.

The Virginia State Bar says that ***I proved by clear and convincing evidence*** that no discipline

³ *Straw v. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit*, 2:18-cv-00028 (N.D. Ind.)

was appropriate given the facts, and this absolutely precludes reciprocal discipline somewhere else because it is impossible for another place to conclude the opposite under **full faith and credit**. App'x at A6-A9.

Virginia says that ***I PROVED*** by clear and convincing evidence that no discipline was warranted, and this is much more in my favor than merely showing a state fell short of this standard. *In Re Straw*, 17-000-108746 (VSB, Disciplinary Board, 2017) <http://www.vsb.org/docs/Straw-062217.pdf>

After due deliberation, the Board reconvened and stated its finding that the **Respondent had proven, by clear and convincing evidence**, that his conduct was not conduct that would have resulted in disciplinary action in the Commonwealth of Virginia. VSB ORDER, at *4. App'x at A7-A10.

Indiana did not even mention the standard being used. *In Re Straw*, 68 N.E.3d 1070 (Ind., 2/14/2017). Indiana's chief justice repeated over and over that my cases were "frivolous" when no federal judge in the four federal cases issued any Rule 11 sanction, not even a ***private*** formal reprimand. Indiana wanted to interfere in those federal cases and it had no right or power to do so, especially when I was

complaining about over a decade of discrimination by ***THAT Indiana Supreme Court***. I OWN the equity here with my broken legs and pelvis and smashed nose working for the Indiana Supreme Court.

The federal judges decided ***against*** discipline in all four cases, and Indiana inflated this total lack of discipline to 180 days of suspension without automatic reinstatement. I am still suspended over 13 months later! This is permanent, folks.

I will not apologize for aggressively using the ADA with facts and law before irascible and WRONG federal judges. Therefore, **all 5 of these licenses** are *de facto* disbarments, illegal, unethical, and unconstitutional disbarments, with my license in Virginia in active and good standing status. It is bizarre how this is the result, but understandable in the context of discrimination by the Indiana Supreme Court and the other courts in the 7th Circuit. It is understandable when the 7th Circuit dishonestly **hired my appellee, James R. Ahler**, the Indiana Supreme Court hearing officer, making him a judge, a millionaire, and a favored litigant in my case, like all the other appellees. I was disfavored while my appellee was made a ***judge*** by the Court of Appeals.

Just think of this. It's outrageous and every appellate judge involved deserves punishment.

This is a disgrace, a due process nightmare for me, and every bit of it needs to be denounced and punished. No court has the right to harm me for doing ADA work, no right to take my law license. No court has the right to suspend me for doing ADA work after my mental and physical disabilities in service to the **U.S. Marine Corps** and the **Indiana Supreme Court and 400+ lower courts**. That's all anyone should be thinking about. My public service sacrifices.

My service has been dishonored by dishonest judges who do not deserve their offices.

This Northern District of Indiana fake justice strangling my license without a hearing is wholly Indiana's long, cold, slimy arm of injustice reaching up to injure me with its fangs and venom once more.

The worst violations of me always seem to happen in Chicago. Ahler was hired by the 7th Circuit. That should guarantee my victory in every aspect of this mess that keeps getting wider and uglier. I should be granted EVERY petition to this Court and my full justice should be granted in every case. Don't let them get away with this.

It appears nothing is so important as making sure **James R. Ahler** gets his reward for misrepresenting my actions and inflicting the maximum damage, rubber-stamped by the 7th Circuit and the district courts. So, Ahler's having applied for that plum judge job helped him escape my righteous appeal, and he will be paid over \$2.6 million from the U.S. Treasury over the next 14 years. I presume I will obtain **no justice at all**, as the last 4 years have shown because **I am attainted down to my DNA** and neither this Court nor any other in the Midwest will give me justice based on past experience.

If this case stands for anything, it should stand for the U.S. Supreme Court disapproving of a court of appeals hiring the litigants before that court and favoring the chosen ones with the appeal still pending!

Then, allowing a disability rights HERO to be injured with 5 law licenses removed for NO LEGITIMATE REASON but malice and hate and fake "frivolous" arguments that violate the ADA.

Bias and favoritism are 5th Amendment procedural due process issues of the highest order in a civil case. These violations are so severe, I am asking compensatory and punitive damages for ruining my law career in the Midwest, in the Northern District of Indiana here.

I want compensation for the procedural due process violation of not providing me a legitimate hearing before taking my license and banning me, shoving my face in the dirt after I broke both legs and my pelvis for the Indiana Supreme Court with **abuse the reward** for my sacrifice. *Bivens v. Six Unknown Agents*, 403 U.S. 388 (1971); *Carey v. Piphus*, 435 U.S. 247 (1978); *Ex Parte Garland*, 71 U.S. 333, 379 (1867) (One does not hold a law license merely “as a matter of grace and favor.”); *In Re Ruffalo*, 390 U.S. 544 (1968); *In Re Ming*, 469 F.2d 1352 (1972) *Supreme Court of N.H. v. Piper*, 470 U.S. 274, 281 (1985) (“The opportunity to practice law is a ‘fundamental right’ which falls within the ambit of the Privileges and Immunities Clause.”).

My *IFP* should be granted and the failure to provide a hearing adjudicated fairly before taking my federal law license fully justifies my damages, every last cent.

After what happened to me, how can I trust any judge in the Midwest? I don't. No one has stood up for me and my rights. I want my full compensation for these outrageous ethical violations that are so severe, they violate the 5th Amendment so intensely it is like burning the original copy of the Bill of Rights, just to spite me. I need compensation so I can start anew elsewhere without having lost time. I cannot be

expected to move when I own no vehicle, have no significant money, own no real property, and the reason for my destitute state is Midwest judges like JUDGE MOODY “the irate” being dishonest toward me, violating my disability and Fifth Amendment rights.

I want federal judges to stop stealing my justice from me. STEALING, because it is criminal what has happened to me, always losing with insults by bad judges with bad attitudes, at least 50 times by my count getting ripped off with a biased and unreasonable “**DENIED.**” The 7th Circuit is not a court to me. It is a circus of self-interested judges favoring other self-interested judges at the district level and it happens at my expense.

This is why the denial of *IFP* status is so utterly offensive to me. Judges cause my poverty and then sometimes will not grant the *IFP* that their own actions made necessary.

Congress should abolish the 7th Circuit and impeach all its judges. The 7th Circuit hiring my *appellee* is enough to justify this result. The entire circuit court supported these violations of me, including reciprocal suspension in 4 district courts, as here. Including banning me from using the district court where I live.

After 4 years of continual losses before 7th Circuit district courts and the circuit court being proven **biased** against me, I don't want their law licenses, only compensation. I have renounced my Midwest law licenses because I cannot practice before dishonest judges and against dishonest lawyers who allow this travesty to continue and **benefit from it**.

I don't have years of my life to dedicate to fighting their consistent dishonesty when losing costs me so much time and effort. My life is likely to be shorter because I was born on the EPA Superfund site known as Camp LeJeune Marine Corps base.

I ask for respect for that sacrifice and my shortened life. My mother got cancer and died at 48. I am 49 this month and this Court issued two more denials of certiorari and my justice on my birthday.

Thanks for the present, Supreme Court of the United States. You dishonored the death of my mother on my birthday. You dishonored the disabilities of my daughter on my birthday, her broken spine from the Marine Corps poisoning. You dishonored my disabilities on my birthday. You dishonored my ADA work, which helps millions of disabled Americans. What is your problem with me? My work helps so many people, but the federal courts want to pin me on a wall after etherizing me. It's

disgusting and it needs to stop. I must be compensated in full.

I am disabled from public service to the Indiana Supreme Court and the U.S. Marine Corps. www.andrewudstraw.com I suffer enough without having to struggle against a dishonest legal system that refuses to enforce disability law and abuses me with false “frivolous” and unjust “DENIED.” I have NEVER filed anything frivolous, but I have been abused by state and federal judges hundreds of times and I want you to remember it.

Look at me and my suffering in poverty because courts discriminate. Courts **HIRE MY APPELLEES**, I am so disfavored. I will not go through this again. I WILL NOT. James Madison is spinning in his grave at how corrupt the federal courts are toward the descendant of American Founder, Dr. Thomas Young, my 8-greats grandfather.

As a disability rights leader, I can tell this Court the lower courts are oppressors of disability rights and should not have immunity when they are on campaigns of terror against disabled lawyers, including those whose disabilities come from public service to 400+ state courts and the U.S. Marine Corps, which also killed my mother. That's me.

This Court itself has a hideous history of discrimination against people with disabilities. *Buck v. Bell*, 247 U.S. 200 (1927) authorized the same type of sterilization of disabled people that Nazi Germany adopted in 1933 before murdering the disabled. SHAME on you. This has not yet been overturned. Denounce it now, I ask you. Also, denounce *Stump v. Sparkman*, 435 U.S. 349 (1978). NO judge should ever be protected for sterilizing someone against their will. That is a shame, a pure evil of soul on this Court that must be denounced. All of you are to blame for leaving these atrocious decisions in place. Do it. Change it.

What if this Court allowed sterilization to get rid of Jews or reduce the number of women or blacks? Denounce it. This is the only way the lower courts are going to learn that hurting disabled people will no longer be tolerated or left hovering poisonous in the precedential atmosphere. I would ask clarification about *Younger* and *Rooker-Feldman* to instruct the lower courts that **these do not apply** to the ADA. Never have, and never will. State courts must comply with the ADA and all its regulations and district and appellate courts must enforce disability law.

Without such guidance, I cannot depend on the federal or state courts in the Midwest because there is a constant stream of state court injustice I have experienced, and no federal judge there so far is

willing to buck the trend. They hurt me instead. A disabled lawyer needs judges who will uphold the law, not ***always*** find illegitimate and abusive excuses to perpetuate discrimination and allow retaliation by state courts. Listen to God: **Lev. 19:14**. These courts have been screaming obscenities at me and tripping me with their demonic laughter. Stop them. End it.

Give me the right to oppose disability discrimination in federal court without retaliation, without constant accusations of “frivolous” which are abusive in themselves and deserving of punishment, without Indiana violating me and the federal courts helping it to do so **reciprocally**, as here.

Using “frivolous” as a means to repeal a civil rights law judicially is absolutely worthy of impeachment.

Give me the right to oppose discrimination after the district courts not only stripped my law licenses, but also banned my use of the CM/ECF systems, failed to act on my notices of appeal, and in the case of the Northern District of Illinois, banning me from using the district court **altogether** for one year with NO due process, no hearing, in secret. *In Re Straw*, 1:17-cv-7717 (N.D. Ill.) (NDIL suspension); *In Re Straw*, 1:17-cv-7500 (N.D. Ill. “Executive Committee” secret star chamber stripped my right to file any case for one

year); *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 18-1117, 18-1118 (7th Cir., 3/16/2018); 17-xxxx, ___U.S.___ (petition for writ of certiorari, filed)

Give me the *In Forma Pauperis* that the 7th Circuit has already had approved for me in another case last year. *Straw v. U.S. District Court*, 17-2523 (7th Cir., 12/21/2017), 17-7499, ___U.S.___ (certiorari denied on 3/19/2018). The only true reason I am being denied *IFP* below is because I challenged Chief Judge Diane Wood and her hiring of my appellee, hearing officer James R. Ahler. Ethics is not optional, and its absence creates 5th Amendment due process violations. I had **NO LEGITIMATE HEARING** and I lost 5 law licenses.

Chief Judge Diane Wood of the 7th Circuit is a civil rights violator. She used her position as chief judge and chair of the 7th Circuit Judicial Council to injure me and retaliated when I complained about her and her corrupt colleagues who hired my *appellee* and consistently favor my opponents, **EVERY TIME**. *In Re Andrew U. D. Straw*, 07-17-90039 (7th Cir. Jud. Council, 1/8/2018) (Imposing a financial burden on me if I file any future ethical complaints about the corrupt 7th Circuit or its corrupt chief judge).

They act like I am an idiot, but I am not. US OPM found me to be qualified to be the general

counsel of the U.S. Access Board and my disability law experience makes me more qualified to decide these issues than the judges saying **DENIED** over and over.

This is my CV: <http://cv.andrewstraw.com>

I don't want this license back. I cannot practice law around such people. I want full compensatory and punitive damages in the amount of \$5 million per license (x5) plus all the consequential damages, which I calculate at **\$56,500,000** total.

It would also warm my heart to see this Court punish **Hon. Diane Wood** severely for defending her own ethical violations and threatening me with financial penalties when she knew I have been in poverty because judges and courts in the Midwest have stripped me of my rights wholly and completely.

I want Wood to be punished along with any other circuit or district judge who supported the violence to my civil rights. I would like to see this Court remove **Hon. James R. Ahler** from his plum job as a federal bankruptcy judge in Hammond, Indiana. He got that job through ethical violations. Please do it and say publicly that he is being fired for discriminating against me and cheating on the appeal by getting hired by the Court of Appeals. *Straw v.*

Indiana Supreme Court, et. al., 17-1338 (7th Cir. 7/6/2017) (certiorari denied 1/8/2018)

I am suing the Court of Appeals for its 5th Amendment violations against me. The lower courts will not give me justice, and if this Court wishes to review that matter with this one, I agree. *Straw v. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit*, 2:18-cv-00028 (N.D. Ind.)

Say it like it is. The Virginia State Bar said using an ADA Coordinator to attack a disabled ADA lawyer is a “**drive-by shooting.**” Appx. at A7-A10. **James R. Ahler** held the gun and Indiana pulled the trigger on Valentine’s Day 2017. The federal courts are burying the evidence of this crime. I am the bleeding victim crying out to the U.S. Supreme Court for help against the reciprocal attacks.

The utter lack of any hearing or other due process is just the next example of how I am attainted in the 7th Circuit judicially. I cannot get justice in this place and I am suing the U.S. Supreme Court because it allows it, encourages it, by not deciding any case I bring on petition for writ of certiorari. This case will not be reviewed, just like all the others, and it violates the 5th Amendment and Article III. Why do I say Article III? The lower courts are clearly shown in Article III to be optional. This means the only court

that has a mandatory obligation to take cases and decide them is the U.S. Supreme Court and my right to that service has been denied half a dozen times now when I should have had justice every single time.

Apparently, it takes suing the U.S. Supreme Court to get that Court to consider that maybe its certiorari system from 1925 violates the Constitution itself. Congress cannot take away the right to have a case reviewed and the U.S. Supreme Court has never to my knowledge reviewed that system, but now it can because I challenge it. I have been hurt by it. I have no money and using IFP means you will not review my cases. It's just a statistical fact.

CERTIFICATE OF TRUTH AND CORRECTNESS

I, Andrew U. D. Straw, certify that my statements and factual allegations above and any in the attached appendix are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief under penalty of perjury. **Date: March 27, 2018**

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