

02-26-2018 Statement Zysk v Brennan et al

This lawsuit is about truth and justice. Francine Zysk told the truth about Theresa Brennan's philandering and antics on the bench. She did this when subpoenaed as a witness in two depositions in Brennan's divorce case. The result was immediate retaliation by Brennan who abused her position to bully and intimidate Francine and to make it extremely difficult for her to do her job. The retaliation includes:

- a. name calling and belittling by Brennan at Francine's deposition;
- b. filing a false complaint against Francine with the State Court Administrative Office the day after the deposition;
- c. using her bully pulpit (i.e. the bench) to denigrate Francine;
- d. refusing to communicate with Francine, making it difficult for her and the entire court administration to do their jobs; and
- e. verbally abusing Francine in the presence of Brennan's fellow judges.

All this for telling the truth.

Now it is time for justice. Francine will suffer in silence no more.

She has tried through internal channels to gain for herself and court employees relief from Brennan's toxic conduct. Like many of the employees that she has advocated for, Francine has had to seek medical care and counselling to cope with Brennan's unrelenting toxic behavior.

Francine can no longer wait for the JTC or the Attorney General to hold Brennan accountable and remove her from the bench. She understands both have their hands full with other matters and it has only been a little over a year since Brennan's wrongdoing came to light. However, she needs justice now.

The Chief Judge is named as a defendant because she indulges rather than corrects Brennan's toxic behavior. Consequently, Francine and other employees must tiptoe around on eggshells to avoid setting Brennan off.

She is also named because she has retaliated against Francine because of her persistent but respectful demands that she reign Brennan in and apparently because she supports Brennan.