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**Subject:** Formal Notice of Misconduct Concerns and Delivery of Documents – Marcio Sousa Sales v. Antonio de Andrade

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Attachments: OBJECTION TO DEFENDANT'S §57.105 SAFE HARBOR LETTER.pdf

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To: Curtis LeBlanc

Cc: Florida Bar Complaints Division; Media Contacts

From: Rogerio Scotton – Concerned Citizen and Paralegal Support

Date: July 11 2025

Mr. LeBlanc,

Attached please find the formal court filings prepared by Mr. Marcio Sousa Sales and submitted to the court today, as well as a forthcoming Florida Bar complaint and related public communications now shared with multiple media outlets.

Let me be clear, since your actions thus far demonstrate either gross negligence or willful misconduct. You were already provided a thorough explanation of the judicial history in this matter. The prior judgment was entered against the wrong party – a man who neither owned nor operated the LLC involved. And yet, you now follow in the footsteps of the previous attorney, Mr. Brandon Gibson, who is already under investigation for similar behavior, by submitting an equally reckless and deceptive motion for sanctions.

Your § 57.105 Safe Harbor letter not only misrepresents the procedural posture of the case, but boldly attempts to intimidate Mr. Sales into withdrawing a meritorious constitutional claim for damages. You claim his current suit is merely a rehash of a past case. That is demonstrably false. The current suit is an entirely new action against your client for initiating a defective lawsuit, suing the wrong party, and triggering a chain of due process violations which resulted in profound financial and reputational harm.

Let me remind you: the judgment entered in case 2023SC011007 was obtained not only against the wrong party, but during a trial in which Mr. Marcio Sousa Sales was not the person who appeared, nor the one involved with the garage. The individual who was trialed was his son, and the presiding judge even admitted on record that he held the father liable "because he received payments on behalf of the LLC." That judicial statement alone confirms a blatant

constitutional violation: no person should be held liable in a civil trial without being properly served, joined, and given the opportunity to defend himself under due process.

See:

Caprio v. State, 837 So. 2d 507 (Fla. 4th DCA 2003) – "[A] judgment entered against a person who was never made a party to the action is void."

Ratliff v. Bucher, 674 So. 2d 784 (Fla. 1st DCA 1996) – "Service of process is essential to jurisdiction and due process."

Fla. Stat. § 605.0304(1)(a) – "[A] member or manager is not personally liable, directly or indirectly, for a debt, obligation, or other liability of the company."

You know this. You've read the law. And yet, you deliberately chose to submit a motion and threatening letter mischaracterizing the new lawsuit, ignoring the procedural misconduct that plagued the prior action, and attempting to extort a withdrawal based on threats of sanctions.

Your client, Antonio de Andrade, initiated this mess. He sued the wrong party, misled the court, and reaped the benefit of a void judgment. Now, instead of advising him to resolve the matter responsibly, you've aligned yourself with tactics that echo fraud upon the court. And for what? To pay your office rent? To appear powerful before a paying client?

Mr. Marcio has already informed you that he will not surrender his constitutional rights to appease any threats – not from you, not from anyone. If your hope is to intimidate a pro se litigant into silence, you've picked the wrong person. He is prepared to litigate this matter all the way to the Florida Supreme Court, if needed. Or federal Court for that matter.

We, as citizens concerned with systemic legal abuse, will not stop exposing these patterns. Your actions are now the subject of public interest. A blog post and press release are being distributed under Legal Help 4 You, documenting this incident and naming you specifically for your participation in what we believe to be unethical conduct. You are already on "Strike Two." A formal Florida Bar complaint is being filed this week. And more may follow.

https://legalhelp4y.com/legal-h4y-blog/f/%F0%9F%9A%A8-%E2%80%9Cthe-retainer-parade%E2%80%9D

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