

Following Are Examples of Lawyers Claims

Divorced his attorney. A claim was filed against an attorney by a former client who had hired him to handle his divorce. The lawsuit alleged the attorney lied to the judge in chambers, creating undue duress by forcing the plaintiff to settle certain aspects of the case. The claimant sought \$40,000 in damages. In response, the attorney offered to waive fees still owed to him by the claimant in exchange for a full release. The claim is pending.

Conflict of interest. A lawsuit was filed against an attorney by a husband and wife, both of whom he represented against a community college. The attorney's representation of the couple began after the wife alleged retaliation by the college where she was employed due to her unpopular support for someone as the new head of the school.

The husband's claim arose after he alleged he was discriminated against in a contract with the college because of the unpopular support by his wife for the individual looking to become the new head of the school. After the litigation was filed by the attorney, the husband and wife claimants disagreed with the manner and causes that the attorney was pursuing, and accused him of conflict of interest. The attorney withdrew from representation of the claimants. After the next attorney they engaged also withdrew from their representation, the claimants returned to the first attorney requesting he represent them again. The attorney refused to do so, and the claimants requested he return all fees paid to date. When he refused, they brought the claim against him, which is pending.

