

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA
(Before a Grievance Committee)

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Complainant,

The Florida Bar File
No. 2024-10,711 (13A)

v.

ROBERT EARL TAYLOR, JR.,

Respondent.

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE FINDING OF NON-COMPLIANCE AND
FAILURE TO RESPOND TO OFFICIAL BAR INQUIRY AND CONTEMPT**

On January 6, 2026, pursuant to Rule 3-7.11(f), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee "A" considered whether to issue a Finding of Non-Compliance and Failure to Respond to Official Bar Inquiry and Finding of Contempt and made the following findings:

1. On May 10, 2024, The Florida Bar sent respondent a letter by regular U.S. Mail to respondent's record bar address advising of a complaint in this case and was requested to respond by May 28, 2024. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

2. Respondent failed to respond to The Florida Bar as requested in the letter of May 10, 2024.

3. On June 17, 2024, respondent was sent a second letter, by electronic mail and regular U.S. Mail to respondent's record bar address, advising of a complaint in this case and was requested to respond in ten days to the letter. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as "Exhibit B".

4. Respondent failed to respond to The Florida Bar as requested in the letter of June 17, 2024.

5. On May 13, 2025, respondent was sent a third letter, by electronic mail to respondent's record bar address, advising of a complaint in this case and was requested to respond in ten days to the letter. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as "Exhibit C".

6. Respondent failed to respond to The Florida Bar as requested in the letter of May 13, 2025.

7. On November 6, 2025, respondent was sent a fourth letter, by electronic mail to respondent's record bar address, advising of a complaint in this case and was requested to respond in ten days to the letter. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as "Exhibit D".

8. On November 14, 2025, The Florida Bar's Investigator delivered the 10-day letter dated November 6, 2025, to the respondent's home address, leaving it in respondent's mailbox. The Florida Bar Investigator noted that although no one answered the door when he

knocked, there was mail in the mailbox, vehicles in the driveway and the garage door to the home was open

9. Respondent failed to respond to The Florida Bar as requested in the letter of November 6, 2025.

10. On December 12, 2025, the respondent sent an e-mail to bar counsel on TFB File No. 2025-10,730 requesting a status update on that case. In bar counsel's response, the respondent was advised that the case had been reassigned to the undersigned bar counsel and noted that the e-mail address used by the respondent was not on record with The Florida Bar. Bar counsel instructed respondent to update his contact information on The Florida Bar website to include this e-mail address. Copies of this e-mail correspondence is attached hereto as "Exhibit E"

11. Respondent was given notice that on January 6, 2026, the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee "A" would hold a hearing on the Request for Issuance of Notice of Non-Compliance and Finding of Contempt. A copy of the Notice of Hearing and the Request for Issuance of Notice of Non-Compliance and Finding of Contempt are attached hereto as "Exhibit F".

12. Respondent made no response to the Request for Issuance of Notice of Non-Compliance and Finding of Contempt.

13. As of the date of this Request for Issuance of Notice of Non-Compliance and Finding of Contempt, respondent has failed to respond to the official bar inquiries.

14. The Grievance Committee found that respondent failed to show good cause for failing to respond to the official bar inquiries and that the non-compliance was willful.

15. The Grievance Committee found respondent to be in contempt and requested The Florida Bar file a Petition for Contempt and Order to Show Cause with the Supreme Court.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 2026.

Jordan D. Maglich

Jordan David Maglich, Chair
Grievance Committee 13A

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the original hereof has been furnished by regular U.S. Mail to, Mr. Robert Earl Taylor, Jr., Respondent, 19046 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., # 420, Tampa, FL 33647-2434 and via e-mail to robert@rtaylorlaw.com; Brandon Lawrence Selph, Investigating Member, via email at selphb@dlps13.gov; Jacqueline A. Simms-Petredis, Designated Reviewer, via email at jimms-petredis@burr.com; and to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson

Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300 via email at psavitz@floridabar.org,
this 10th day of February, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine S. B.", followed by a horizontal line.

Christine Shiver Brown, Bar Counsel

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May 10, 2024

Mr. Robert Earl Taylor Jr.
19046 Bruce B Downs Blvd # 420
Tampa, FL 33647-2434

Re: Complaint by Kristian Lee Lopez against Robert Earl Taylor Jr.
The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711 (13A)

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed is a copy of an inquiry/complaint and any supporting documents submitted by the above referenced complainant(s). Your response to this complaint is required under the provisions of Rule 4-8.4(g), Rules of Professional Conduct of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, and is due in our office by **May 28, 2024**. **Responses should not exceed 25 pages** and may refer to any additional documents or exhibits that are available on request. Failure to provide a written response to this complaint is in itself a violation of Rule 4-8.4(g). **You are further required to furnish the complainant with a complete copy of your written response, including any documents submitted therewith.**

Pursuant to Rule 3-7.1(f), Rules of Discipline, you are further required to complete and return the enclosed Certificate of Disclosure form.

Finally, the filing of this complaint does not preclude communication between the attorney and the complainant(s). Please review the enclosed Notice for information on submitting your response.

Sincerely,

Teresa Goodson, Bar Counsel
Attorney Consumer Assistance Program
ACAP Hotline 866-352-0707

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Kristian Lee Lopez

Pursuant to Rule 3-7.1(f) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, you must execute the applicable section of this form and return it to my attention. The rule provides that the nature of the charges be described in the notice to your firm or you may attach a copy of the complaint.

CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this _____ day of _____, 20____, a true copy of the foregoing disclosure was furnished to _____, a member of my present law firm of _____, and, if different, to _____, a member of the law firm of _____, with which I was associated at the time of the act(s) giving rise to the complaint in The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711 (13A).

Robert Earl Taylor Jr.

CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE (Corporate/Government Employment)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this _____ day of _____, 20____, a true copy of the foregoing disclosure was furnished to _____, my supervisor at _____ (name of agency), with which I was associated at the time of the act(s) giving rise to the complaint in The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711 (13A).

Robert Earl Taylor Jr.

CERTIFICATE OF NON-LAW FIRM AFFILIATION (Sole Practitioner)

I HEREBY CERTIFY to The Florida Bar on this _____ day of _____, 20____, that I am not presently affiliated with a law firm and was not affiliated with a law firm at the time of the act(s) giving rise to the complaint in The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711 (13A).

Robert Earl Taylor Jr.

NOTICE OF GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

1. The enclosed letter is an official inquiry by bar counsel. Your response is required under Rule 4-8.4(g) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar. Rule 4-8.4(g)(1) and (2) require that a lawyer submit a written response within 15 days to an initial inquiry and within 10 days to any follow-up inquiry made by bar counsel, the grievance committee or the board of governors during the course of an investigation of the lawyer's conduct. You may respond by US Mail or email to acapintake@floridabar.org. Please attach your response to the email and reference the file number in the subject line. If you do not respond, the matter will be forwarded to the grievance committee for disposition in accordance with Rule 3-7.3. Failure to respond may also be a matter of contempt and processed in accordance with Rule 3-7.11(f).
2. Many inquiries considered first by staff counsel are not forwarded to a grievance committee, as they do not involve violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct justifying disciplinary action.
3. Pursuant to Rule 3-7.1, any reports, correspondence, papers, recordings and/or transcripts of hearings submitted by you in this matter shall become accessible to the public upon dismissal or a decision by the grievance committee. Please advise Bar Counsel if you believe any material provided to The Florida Bar is confidential under applicable law and identify the basis of your claim that the material is confidential. Please note that The Florida Bar is required to acknowledge the status of proceedings during the pendency of an investigation, if a specific inquiry is made and the matter is deemed to be in the public domain.
4. The grievance committee is the Bar's "grand jury." Proceedings before the grievance committee are non-adversarial in nature. The grievance committee's function and procedures are set forth in Rule 3-7.4.
5. If the grievance committee finds probable cause, formal adversarial proceedings before the Supreme Court of Florida will be initiated pursuant to Rule 3-7.6. A referee will make a recommendation as to guilt and discipline to The Supreme Court of Florida, unless a plea is submitted pursuant to Rule 3-7.9.



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June 17, 2024

Via US Mail and E-mail robert@rtaylorlaw.com
Mr. Robert Earl Taylor Jr.
19046 Bruce B Downs Blvd # 420
Tampa, FL 336472434

Re: Complaint by Kristian Lee Lopez against Robert Earl Taylor Jr.
The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711 (13A)

Dear Mr. Taylor:

As of this date, I have not received a copy of your response to the above complaint. Please be advised that you are obligated to provide a written response pursuant to Rule 4-8.4(g).

Please provide the requested information by **June 27, 2024**. Please note that failure to timely provide this information may be considered a violation of Rule 4-8.4(g).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Allie F. Huston".

Allie F. Huston, Bar Counsel
Attorney Consumer Assistance Program
ACAP Hotline 866-352-0707

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Kristian Lee Lopez

From: [Arnold, Lisa](#)
To: robert@rtaylorlaw.com
Cc: elee0849@gmail.com; [Dillon, Jennifer](#)
Subject: Kristian Lee Lopez v. Robert Earl Taylor; TFB File No. 2024-10,711(13A)
Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2025 12:12:00 PM
Attachments: [10 Day Letter to Respondent - No Response to Complaint Received - Taylor.pdf](#)
[15 day Letter to Respondent 5.10.24 - Taylor.pdf](#)
[Emailed 10 Day Letter - No Response 6.17.24 - Taylor.pdf](#)
[Initial Complaint - Taylor.PDF](#)

Good afternoon Mr. Taylor,

On behalf of Chief Branch Discipline Counsel Jennifer Robyn Dillon, please find attached correspondence related to the above referenced matter. **Your response is due by May 27, 2025.**

Thank you,

Lisa Arnold
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May 13, 2025

Via e-mail to robert@rtaylorlaw.com

Robert Earl Taylor, Jr.
19046 Bruce B Downs Blvd, # 420
Tampa, FL 33647-2434

Re: Robert Earl Taylor, Jr; The Florida Bar File No. 2024-10,711(13A)

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Enclosed you will find correspondence dated May 10, 2024, and June 17, 2024, requiring a response. Please be advised that a written response is required pursuant to Rule 4-8.4(g) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, and a response has not been received.

If a response is not received by **May 27, 2025**, this matter will be forwarded to the grievance committee for further investigation.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Robyn Dillon
Bar Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Kristian Lee Lopez, Complainant

From: [Serralta, Yra](#)
To: robert@rtaylorlaw.com
Cc: [Brown, Christine](#)
Subject: TAYLOR - TFB#2024-10,711 (13A) - 10-DAY LETTER TO RESPONDENT WITH DOCS
Date: Thursday, November 6, 2025 10:16:00 AM
Attachments: [Taylor711-10DayLettertoRespondent-NoResponsetoComplaintReceived.pdf](#)
[Taylor711-docs-Email_serving_10_day_ltr.pdf](#)

On behalf of Christine Shiver Brown, Bar Counsel, find enclosed 10-day letter requesting a response on/or before November 17, 2025. Thank you.

Yra Serralta, Legal Assistant to:
Michelle L. Robertson, Bar Counsel
Christine Brown, Bar Counsel
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From: [Arnold, Lisa](#)
To: robert@rtaylorlaw.com
Cc: elee0849@gmail.com; [Dillon, Jennifer](#)
Subject: Kristian Lee Lopez v. Robert Earl Taylor; TFB File No. 2024-10,711(13A)
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Sincerely,

Jennifer Robyn Dillon
Bar Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Kristian Lee Lopez, Complainant

From: [Brown, Christine](#)
To: robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com
Cc: [Serralta, Yra](#); [Selph, Brandon L](#)
Subject: FW: 2025-10,730 (13A) Taylor, Robert re Felicia Alford
Date: Monday, December 15, 2025 10:00:55 AM

Good morning, Mr. Taylor. On October 14, 2025, you were notified that I am Bar Counsel assigned to this case. On November 7, 2025, you were then notified that an investigative member (IM) was assigned to this case and would be reviewing the claims made by Ms. Alford in her complaint as well as your response. I have included the IM, Brandon Selph, in this e-mail so that he can provide an update on his findings as they relate to Ms. Alford's complaint.

As Mr. Sellers advised, the above-referenced e-mail address has not been accessible to The Florida Bar as a point of contact and must be updated with member services as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Christine Shiver Brown

Senior Attorney, Lawyer Regulation
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From: Sellers, Steven <ssellers@floridabar.org>
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2025 8:58 AM
To: Robert E Taylor Law <robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com>
Cc: Brown, Christine <cbrown@floridabar.org>; Sullivan, Carol B <csullivan@floridabar.org>
Subject: Re: 2025-10,730 (13A) Taylor, Robert re Felicia Alford

Attorney Taylor,

I am forwarding your email to the bar counsel who is assigned to this matter. I note that the email address you are sending this from does not match the email address we have for this case. We will need to update this on our end, but it is based on the email address you have on file with the Florida Bar which is your official email address. You need to contact someone in member services to correct this today. I see from the email

chain below that I reminded you of this several months ago.

Steven E. Sellers, Senior Attorney

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From: Robert E Taylor Law <robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, December 12, 2025 5:04 PM

To: Sellers, Steven <ssellers@floridabar.org>

Subject: Re: 2025-10,730 (13A) Taylor, Robert re Felicia Alford

Dear Mr. Sellers:

I hope that this email finds you well and enjoying the holiday season. I am writing regarding the Felicia Alford matter. I have not heard anything from you or The Bar since I submitted my Response with exhibits to her maliciously filed Bar Complaint against me. I also indicated that additional evidence was available to buttress my position should it be needed.

I would appreciate your providing me with the status of this matter and where we stand?

Thank you,

Respectfully,

Attorney Robert E Taylor, Jr.

FBN. 0943071

On Fri, Aug 8, 2025 at 11:38 AM Sellers, Steven <ssellers@floridabar.org> wrote:

my I cannot provide that information, but I will forward your email to the Bar Counsel who is handling that match as and she can respond.

The end of next week is fine for your response.

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From: Robert E Taylor Law <robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 11:21 AM
To: Sellers, Steven <ssellers@floridabar.org>
Subject: Re: 2025-10,730 (13A) Taylor, Robert re Felicia Alford

Good morning Mr. Sellers:

I was wondering if you could provide me with the Grievance Committee members name and contact information along with the name of the complainant in the second case that you mentioned in our last telephone conversation ? I would like to get a copy of the complaint so that I can file a response. I will be forwarding my response to Ms. Alford's complaint by the end of next week, if that's okay with you.

Thank you for your assistance.

Regards,

Robert E Taylor, Jr., Esq.

On Tue, Aug 5, 2025 at 10:24 PM Robert E Taylor Law <robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com> wrote:

Mr. Sellers:

I did receive the correct email at the correct address today. I will contact the

appropriate bar counsel regarding the two complaints that I did not receive.

Regards,

Attorney Robert E Taylor Jt

On Tue, Aug 5, 2025 at 12:35 PM Sellers, Steven <ssellers@floridabar.org> wrote:

Attorney Taylor,

I am investigating a complaint filed against you by Felicia Alford. A copy is attached. This was sent to you twice before by the Bar but you have not responded. You just told me by phone that your email address has changed to robertetaylorlaw@gmail.com. You also told me you have tried to change your official Bar email address but it did not take. Please contact member services at the Bar and have them assist you with this change. You need to do this today.

You have two other Bar complaints pending with the Tampa Branch. These are case nos. 2024-10,042 (at grievance committee) and 2024-10,711. You told me you have been in touch with the chair of the grievance committee on the first complaint; however, there has been a lack of response from you on this second case. You should contact Bar Counsel (who is copied on this email) if you intend to provide a response to that complaint.

Please email me back to confirm you received this email.

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**REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE
AND FINDING OF CONTEMPT**

Pursuant to Rule 3-7.11(f)(2), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, the undersigned Bar Counsel requests that on **January 6, 2025**, the Grievance Committee 13A, hear the issue of whether respondent shall be found in contempt for failure to respond to an official bar inquiry without good cause shown and states the following:

1. On May 10, 2024, respondent was sent a letter by regular U.S. Mail to respondent's record bar address advising of a complaint in this case and was requested to respond by May 28, 2024. A copy of the letter is attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

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8. Respondent failed to respond to The Florida Bar as requested in the letter of November 6, 2025.

9. As of the date of this Request for Issuance of Notice of Non-Compliance and Finding of Contempt, the respondent has willfully failed to respond to an official bar inquiry without good cause.

The undersigned Bar Counsel respectfully requests that this Grievance Committee issue its findings as to whether respondent has willfully failed to respond to an official Bar inquiry and whether respondent should be held in contempt for failure to respond to an official bar inquiry.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify this document has been furnished by regular U.S. Mail and email to respondent, Mr. Robert Earl Taylor, Jr., 19046 Bruce B Downs Blvd., #420, Tampa, FL 33647-2434, robert@rtaylorlaw.com; and via email to Amanda Erin Lee-Peterson, Chair, at amanda.lee-peterson@allstate.com; ; Brandon Lawrence Selph, Investigating Member, at selphb@flpd13.gov; Jacqueline A. Simms-Petredis, Designated Reviewer, at jsimms-petredis@burr.com; and to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300 via email at psavitz@floridabar.org, dated this 15th day of December, 2025.



Christine Shiver Brown, Bar Counsel