



LAWYER'S EX-WIFE CLEARS HER NAME



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CHEYENNE -- A Cheyenne woman claiming her ex-husband created a company under her name without her authorization has succeeded in getting her name cleared.

The company, Sharon E-H Systems LLC, was registered as a horse- showing and investment company in August 1995 with the Secretary of State's Office.

Listed as the registered agent was Sharon K. Eskam.

Eskam said the company was actually formed by her ex-husband, Cheyenne divorce attorney Robert Hampe, and used to collect money from his clients who didn't pay him. This has raised legal concerns for Eskam because the company was not licensed to act as a collection agency.

Eskam, who found out about the company in February while divorcing Hampe, had said she wanted her name cleared in case the company is sued.

On Friday, Wyoming Secretary of State Joseph Meyer sent Eskam a letter, notifying her the Secretary of State's Office would not recognize her as the registered agent.

Meyer wrote that if Eskam should receive any documents on behalf of Sharon E-H Systems, she should refuse to accept them, and forward any that she has received already to his office.

Although Meyer recognized Eskam's claims of forgery and fraud against her ex-husband, he wrote that he will not attempt to determine whether forgery or fraud were committed.

Meyer didn't say why the matter wouldn't be investigated, who is currently listed as the registered agent and if the company's status is still in good standing.

Hampe is on two years probation with the Wyoming State Bar and faces two malpractice suits. He said he doesn't know who owns Sharon E-H Systems now or what has happened to it.

Charles Rawson, a disbarred attorney who has an office in Hampe's law practice, has said he is the head of the company. According to the Secretary of State's Office, there is no mention of Rawson in connection with the company.

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