



By Order issued July 18, 2025, the Commission found the complaint on behalf of Margaux Farm in this matter was tendered in a manner inconsistent with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4), because it was not filed by an attorney, and thus found, Margaux Farm's complaint should be rejected for filing. However, the Commission gave Margaux Farm an opportunity to engage an attorney, licensed to practice law in Kentucky, to enter an appearance in this matter, and tender its complaint within 20 days or otherwise show cause why this matter should not be dismissed. No entry of appearance has been filed on behalf of Margaux Farm. Thus, the Commission finds that Margaux Farm complaint should be dismissed without prejudice.

Richard Budge's complaint complied with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4), because an individual may file a complaint on their own behalf.<sup>3</sup> However, by Order issued August 8, 2025, the Commission determined that nature of the complaint was unclear, and found that pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 20(4)(a), the complaint failed to establish a prima facie case. The Commission further found that Complainant Budge was entitled to an opportunity to amend the complaint within 20 days of service of the Order. However, no response or amended complaint has been filed by the Complainant.

Therefore, based upon review of the tendered complaint and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that the complaint should be dismissed without prejudice and removed from the Commission's docket pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4), and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 20(1)(c) and (d).

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<sup>3</sup> The Commission's regulation, 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4), is consistent with rules of the Kentucky Supreme Court regarding the practice of law. Those rules generally prohibit a non-attorney practicing law on behalf of a third-party, including a corporation owned by a non-attorney, because the corporation is considered a separate legal entity. However, individuals are generally entitled to represent themselves in a legal matter, which is why Mr. Budge's complaint, as distinguished from that of Margaux Farm's complaint, complied with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(4).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The complaint filed by Richard Budge and Margaux Farm, is dismissed without prejudice and removed from the Commission's docket.

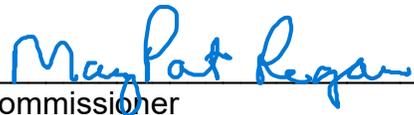
2. A copy of this Order shall be served on Richard Budge and Margaux Farm by U.S. Postal Service First-Class and Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, at 596 Moore's Mill Road, Midway, Kentucky 40347.

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