## WATCHDOG SELECTS COLUMBUS, OHIO ATTORNEY KIM M. HALLIBURTON-COHEN AS A 1<sup>ST</sup> TEAM ALL-AMERICAN ETHICAL DWARF

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Kim M. Halliburton-Cohen-Murphy (aka, "Cadillac Kim") is well-known in Columbus, Ohio area for (a) bilking her clients, (b) perpetrating frauds on the courts, (c) manufacturing evidence, and (d) defrauding her adversaries, and these are just some of her good points.

Kim has a "gloried" history of scamming just about everyone she comes in contact with. Her bankruptcy filing shows she did not even pay the boy who cut her lawn. She has proven to be an "equal opportunity crook," in that she doesn't discriminate against anyone that has even a minimal balance in his/her checking account. Kimmy says, "hey, a bucks a buck," and I'm willing to do whatever is necessary to unjustly enrich myself." Hey, I'm a lawyer, so whadda ya expect?

## **Supreme Court Finds Kimmy Guilty of Misconduct**

In 2001, the Ohio Supreme Court found Kimmy guilty of the following misconduct, (Case No. 01-15 63) however, in keeping with its storied history of giving the proverbial "wink and nod" to attorney atrocities, the Court suspended the one year suspension of her license under the condition that she improve on her skills at defrauding her clients, the courts and her adversaries. Just kidding, the Court actually had the chutzpah to suggest that Kimmy had some redeeming values.

Well, here's the misconduct that the Ohio Supreme Court ruled that warranted Kimmy to continue to practice law and in the process expand on her "victim pool."

- Repeatedly stiffed divorce clients by failing to return unearned (Kimmy says, "so what's the point?") fees in amounts as small as \$239
- Failing to maintain proper records and account for client trust accounts (means she was helping herself to client funds)
- Bouncing checks, some of which were written to repay client's she had screwed
- Engaging in conduct that adversely reflected on her fitness to practice law (What in the hell does that mean?)