

Roger Plawker Quoted in Article Regarding William Baroni's Return to Practice of Law

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Roger Plawker, partner at Pashman Stein Walder Hayden was quoted in New Jersey Law Journal article, "With 'Bridgegate' Behind Him, William Baroni May Still Face Ethics Probe in Bid to Practice Law Again."

"The mere fact that the criminal conviction was overturned would not end the analysis for these purposes," said Roger Plawker, an attorney at Pashman Stein Walder Hayden in Hackensack who represents attorneys in disciplinary cases. "The disciplinary authorities will still consider the nature of his conduct. His involvement in the traffic scheme is undisputed. Nobody believes it was appropriate conduct."

"Somebody that has engaged in conduct that, even if it is ultimately determined not to be criminal, but was certainly contrary to the public trust, is going to be looked at on the attorney disciplinary level, to ensure that public confidence in the bar be maintained," Plawker said. "The fact that he was a public official and abused a position of public trust makes the conduct more serious than if he had engaged in some sort of conduct in a strictly private context."

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