
What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by Debby - 2007/08/23 11:52

The day before yesterday I heard Iyanla on that radio talk show that I have heard her on before. I think it's called the Michael Dresdin Show or something like that. He is an African American talk show host who is quite intertaining and is broadcast all across the country. I think he is out of Chicago.

Anyway, I caught the very end of the interview with Iyanla, but she was saying she was on her way to Atlanta because someone had been convicted. She said the next step was the appeal and the appeal would take a long time. He wished her well on her endeavor.

Does anyone have any idea what she was talking about? Is she practicing law again? I think I was told she used to be an attorney.

Just curious.

Post edited by: Debby, at: 2007/08/23 11:59

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by KPW1956 - 2007/08/23 12:14

No.. I have no clue... but I know Towanda was in that area but surely by now her case would have been resolved.. I thought it had been and there had been some discussion on that..

Jill and Jodi are both in that area I believe..

It's also possible that it is totally unrelated to SO..

I guess if she mentors various people through SO and her ministry..(and she could probably have scads more people involved through her ministry than SO) that she might always be able to advise people unofficially and perhaps also be a character witness during the sentencing part of the process.

Sure hope it isn't one of our SO ladies..

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by Debby - 2007/08/23 16:03

I hope it's not too. I hate I tuned in just a little too late, so I just caught the very end. He was wishing her his best and she sounded as if she was on some mission to help this person in Atlanta.

She stressed the appeals process would take a long time. I would think that if you not supporting the defendant, you would care less about the appeals process, so I'm thinking it must be someone who was found guilty. Usually, you cannot appeal if you plead guilty to a crime. I'm going to keep trying to figure it out.

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by KPW1956 - 2007/08/23 16:23

She probably wouldn't be able to practice law in Ga. anyway.. Wouldn't she have to be licensed by the state of Ga.? Maybe I am making assumptions..

I recall New York, Baltimore and now the D.C. area as hubs of Iyanla's professions. Even when she was on SO, she still lived in Md... (Outside of Annapolis I believe I read)

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by Debby - 2007/08/23 16:40

You do have to be licensed in the state, but you can practice in a state you not licensed as long as you are hooked up with another attorney who is licensed in that state. You must appear in court together, sign things jointly, etc. That is my understanding anyway.

Correction to my post. The show is called the Michael Baisden Show. He has a website but you have to pay to join and I'm not in the mood for that. I searched the cite but could not locate any posts on the message board about Iyanla on earlier this week.

I'll keep trying. It seems there are a lot of death penalty appeals going on in Atlanta this week. Who knows.?

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by TigerRose - 2007/08/23 17:01

Info on Towanda's judgement is here <http://www.gwinnettcourts.com/pcsDetail.asp?case=06-B-02072-7> Seems in May of this year a note was entered that she didn't pay restitution. I didn't find any other information on her being brought back to court for not paying. SHRUGS...

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by KPW1956 - 2007/08/23 20:34

Tiger Rose, That link didn't work..

What would that mean if she didn't fulfill conditions (restitution) of her conviction/judgement? Would jailtime be imminent? Sort of like revoked parole?

I don't know if it's a matter of not paying restitution whether any appeals at that point are even possible. I wouldn't think so... I would think she must have agreed to the restitution in an effort to have the charges reduced.. I don't think she had a jury trial..

How much did you pick up from that blurb you found.

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Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by KPW1956 - 2007/08/23 21:00

I did some poking around trying to find some current info. Didn't find anything much but did find a blog/forum from 2006 where some transcript of what Towanda said happened.. Not sure if it's legit.. I don't see any reason someone would pretend to be her for purposes of the blog.. She tries to explain the situation...

It also looks like there is mention of her having done something similar when she lived in Md. Not sure if that is true..

But I thought it an interesting read.. especially if it could be true.

Was more than I'd seen in the past.. As I said, I don't know why anyone would fabricate the info in this blog...and would tend to find it plausible.

I'd still be interested in finding out how her case was resolved.. or if it's ongoing.. I don't think Iyanla was in the business of bailing people out of their own messes... I just think that maybe the situation Iyanla may be involved with is NOT related to Towanda..

But I could be wrong!:S :blink:

Here is the link...

Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by TigerRose - 2007/08/23 21:43

the link is from the Gwinett county court itself
Gwinnett country case # 06-B-02072-7
state vs braxtoncarter

or copy and paste:

<http://www.gwinnettcourts.com/home.asp#partycasesearch/pnamelast:carter/pnamefirst:towanda/qfields:8199/pcsform:1/>

It also appears at the very bottom that the failure to pay restitution was entered by her probation officer.

Re:What's Iyanla up to?

Posted by Debby - 2007/08/24 14:30

I read that article KPW. If that is indeed Towanda's story. I don't buy it. I since her attorney's didn't think a jury would either and that's why she entered a plea.

I can understand that you may be desperate for money to feed your kids or keep your lights on and maybe she was desperate for money and just too embarrassed to admit it. I think she probably knew somethin was fishy about that check but took it anyway for some reason.

If she hasn't paid her restitution and that is part of her deal with the court, her probation officer can bring her back in and ask the judge to activate her original sentence and let her serve it. I mean to not have paid your restituion after all this time is just pathetic.

I liked Towanda okay when she was on SO, but honestly I think something is just missing with her.

Post edited by: Debby, at: 2007/08/24 14:31

Re:What's Towanda up to?

Posted by fifty - 2007/09/26 20:37

this is WILD... to read about this after all this time... and she still ain't paid that!

Pure D Wild! :ohmy:

Re:What's Towanda up to?

Posted by photomom - 2007/10/12 18:06

Iyanla's radio show is on Tuesday, Wednesdays, and Thursday 10:00 Et in Philly. you can listen to it for free on the internet. I don't have the web address right offhand but if you check out Iyanla's website inner visions worldwide you should tbe able to link to it.

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Re:What's Towanda up to?

Posted by Debby - 2007/10/15 10:23

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Thanks for the info. It's great to know that Iyanla is doing so much good work. I do regret that she isn't on tv anymore. I believe it was a good medium for her. I would not have know of her had it not been for Starting Over.

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