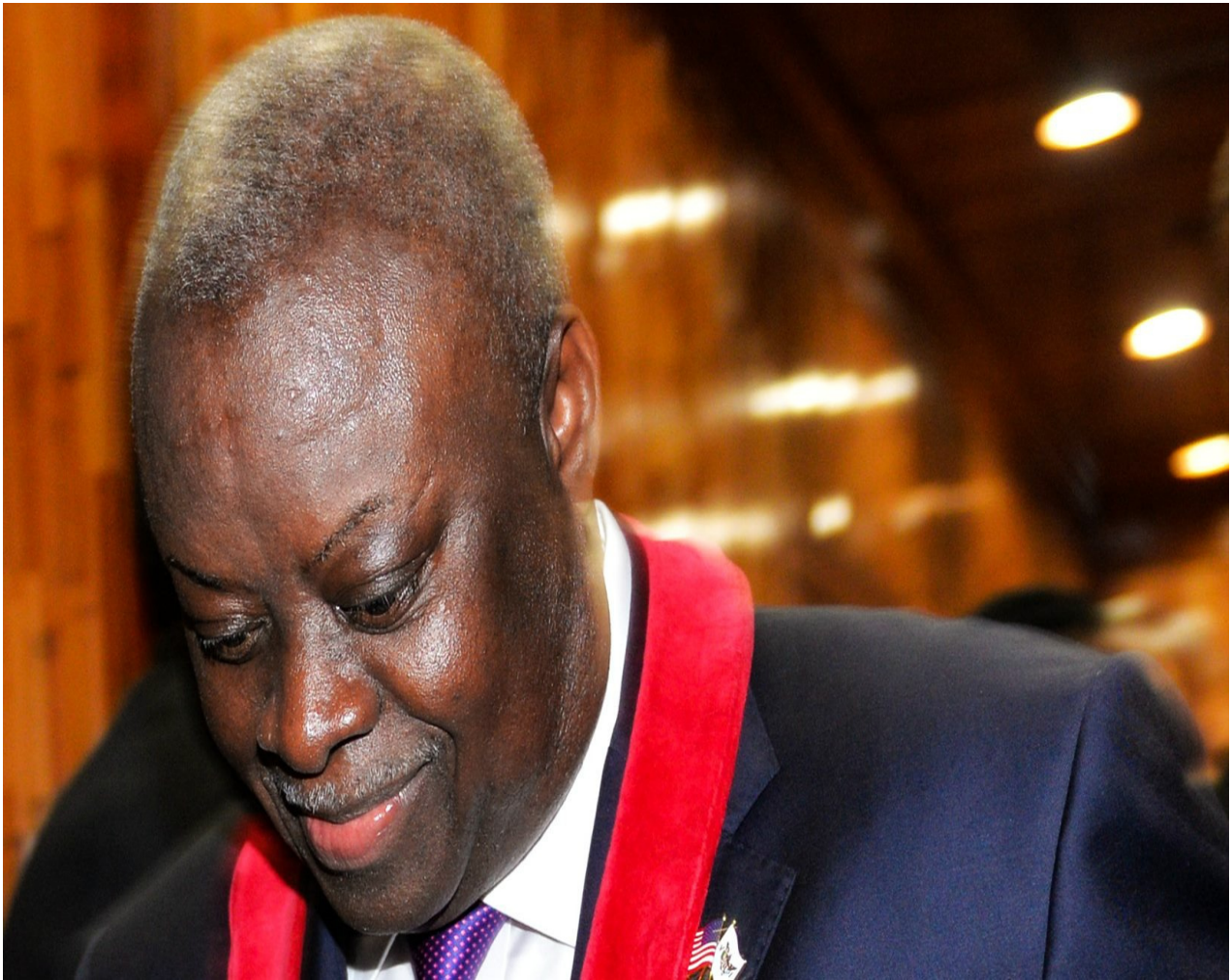


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Lee Rohn To Sue Mapp For Defaming Attorney Mills-Williams' Character

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ST. CROIX -- Lauded and well-known attorney Lee Rohn told The Consortium on Sunday that she would file suit against Governor Kenneth Mapp for defaming the character of her client, Attorney LaVerne Mills-Williams, who Ms. Rohn is representing in a separate suit of wrongful discharge against the Mapp administration.

Mr. Mapp fired Mrs. Mills-Williams because, according to the governor, she had adjoined herself to a "convicted criminal known for consorting with persons who have been

convicted on more than one occasion of trafficking in, distributing and using narcotics and other illegal substances in and through the U.S. Virgin Islands.” The alignment Mr. Mapp is referring to is Attorney Rohn, an accusation that Ms. Rohn [told this publication on Sunday](#) kept in line with Mr. Mapp's history of "pettiness and vindictiveness."

"Unfortunately, I meet the definition of a public figure under the defamation standard so he can say anything he wants to about me no matter how false. But I will be suing him personally for falsely accusing Mills-Williams of knowingly consorting with a criminal and a person who associates with drug dealers and that she is of such low moral character that she would allow her association with me to corrupt her. What he has done to that poor woman is so vindictive. Fortunately, he has exposed himself for what he is," Ms. Rohn told The Consortium via email, using a verified account from her [practice's website](#).

Two suits are headed the governor's way, then. The first for firing Mrs. Mills-Williams and the second, which will be filed against the governor personally, a defamation of character suit.

The tension between the governor and Mrs. Mills-Williams continues to amplify; birthed after a fallout over the governor's credit card spending habits. Ostensibly, Mr. Mapp wanted to see and possibly block certain expenses from the public's view — in violation of the Freedom of Information Act — but Mrs. Mills-Williams refused to adhere to the governor's demands, according to local media reports. She was later unceremoniously relieved from her duties at Government House, where she served as special assistant attorney general to the Attorney General of the Virgin Islands, and jounced to and fro to various government departments by the administration.

In his notice of termination letter to Mrs. Mills-Williams -- which Ms. Rohn told The Consortium was delivered to her client late at night by Mr. Mapp's security guards -- the territory's leader said he could not trust Attorney Mills-Williams with sensitive documents because of her alignment with Ms. Rohn. The argument was dismantled by Ms. Rohn, however, making known that her client was not involved in any criminal case while at Government House or the Department of Justice.

"I am not confident that your access and potential influence to ongoing criminal investigations and evidence would not be compromised on behalf of and through your association with Attorney Lee J. Rohn," wrote the governor in his notice of termination letter, seen [here](#).

Mr. Mapp directed Mr. Walker to immediately terminate Mrs. Mills-Williams' access to files, communications equipment, and all Department of Justice property, and to process a final payroll payment to her for the period October 5, 2015, through the last day she was physically present for work at the Department of Justice.