

PUBLIC MATTER

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10 STATE BAR COURT

11 HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES

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13 In the Matter of:) Case No. 12-N-11649
14 WILLIAM THOMAS HAYS, SR.,) NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES
No. 20286,)
15 A Member of the State Bar)

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17 **NOTICE - FAILURE TO RESPOND!**

18 **IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER TO THIS NOTICE**
19 **WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER SERVICE, OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT**
20 **THE STATE BAR COURT TRIAL:**

- 21 (1) **YOUR DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED;**
22 (2) **YOUR STATUS WILL BE CHANGED TO INACTIVE AND YOU**
WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW;
23 (3) **YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE FURTHER IN**
THESE PROCEEDINGS UNLESS YOU MAKE A TIMELY MOTION
AND THE DEFAULT IS SET ASIDE, AND;
24 (4) **YOU SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL DISCIPLINE.**
SPECIFICALLY, IF YOU FAIL TO TIMELY MOVE TO SET ASIDE
OR VACATE YOUR DEFAULT, THIS COURT WILL ENTER AN
ORDER RECOMMENDING YOUR DISBARMENT WITHOUT
25 **FURTHER HEARING OR PROCEEDING. SEE RULE 5.80 ET SEQ.,**
RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA.
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1 The State Bar of California alleges:

2 JURISDICTION

3 1. William Thomas Hays, Sr. ("Respondent") was admitted to the practice of law in the
4 State of California on January 11, 1949, was a member at all times pertinent to these charges,
5 and is currently a member of the State Bar of California.

6 COUNT ONE

7 Case No. 12-N-11649
8 Failure to Obey Rule 9.20, California Rules of Court

9 2. Respondent willfully violated rule 9.20, California Rules of Court by willfully
10 disobeying or violating an order of the court as follows:

11 3. On or about December 13, 2011, the California Supreme Court filed Order No.
12 S197019 (hereinafter "9.20 Order"). The 9.20 Order included a requirement that Respondent
13 comply with Rule 9.20, California Rules of Court, by performing the acts specified in
14 subdivisions (a) and (c) within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of the 9.20
15 Order. (A true and correct copy of the 9.20 Order is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and is
16 incorporated by reference.)

17 4. On or about December 13, 2011, the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of
18 California properly served upon Respondent a copy of the 9.20 Order. Respondent received the
19 9.20 Order.

20 5. The Supreme Court Order became effective on January 12, 2012, thirty days after the
21 9.20 Order was filed. Thus Respondent was ordered to comply with subdivision (a) and/or (b) of
22 rule 9.20 of the California Rules of Court no later than on or about February 13, 2012, and was
23 ordered to comply with subdivision (c) of Rule 9.20 no later than on or about February 21, 2012.

24 6. Respondent has failed to file with the clerk of the State Bar Court a declaration of
25 compliance with Rule 9.20 (a) and (b), California Rules of Court, as required by Rule 9.20(c).

26 7. By not filing a declaration of compliance with Rule 9.20 in conformity with the
27 requirements of Rule 9.20(c), Respondent failed to timely comply with the provisions of
28 Supreme Court Order No. S197019 requiring compliance with Rule 9.20, California Rules of

1 Court. By the foregoing conduct, Respondent willfully violated rule 9.20, California Rules of
2 Court.

3 **NOTICE - INACTIVE ENROLLMENT!**

4 **YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT IF THE STATE BAR
5 COURT FINDS, PURSUANT TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE
6 SECTION 6007(c), THAT YOUR CONDUCT POSES A SUBSTANTIAL
7 THREAT OF HARM TO THE INTERESTS OF YOUR CLIENTS OR TO
8 THE PUBLIC, YOU MAY BE INVOLUNTARILY ENROLLED AS AN
9 INACTIVE MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR. YOUR INACTIVE
10 ENROLLMENT WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO ANY DISCIPLINE
11 RECOMMENDED BY THE COURT.**

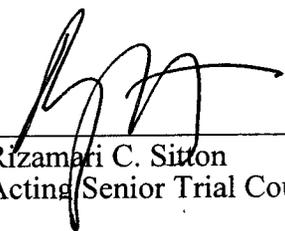
12 **NOTICE - COST ASSESSMENT!**

13 **IN THE EVENT THESE PROCEDURES RESULT IN PUBLIC
14 DISCIPLINE, YOU MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF COSTS
15 INCURRED BY THE STATE BAR IN THE INVESTIGATION, HEARING
16 AND REVIEW OF THIS MATTER PURSUANT TO BUSINESS AND
17 PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 6086.10.**

18 Respectfully submitted,

19 THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
20 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

21 DATED: April 24, 2012

22 By: 
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24 Acting Senior Trial Counsel