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8 STATE BAR COURT  
9 HEARING DEPARTMENT – LOS ANGELES  
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11 In the Matter of: ) Case No.: 14-O-05514  
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13 MARK HENRY WILLIAMS ) RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF  
14 ) DISCIPLINARY CHARGES  
15 No. 220341, )  
16 A Member of the State Bar. )  
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20 Respondent, Mark H. Williams, responds to the notice of disciplinary charges filed herein as  
21 follows:

22 Respondent specifically denies each of the allegations and charges contained in Counts  
23 One and Two of the notice of disciplinary charges.

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25 2. Respondent specifically denies each of the allegations and charges contained in  
26 Counts One and Two of the notice of disciplinary charges.

27 3. The matter and transactions complained of, which are the subject of this  
28 proceeding, may be explained as follows: Respondent did not intentionally fail to perform his

1 duties but admits he did not appropriately perform with competence his duties with respect to  
2 Charles Eric Powell in the matter of *Powell v. County of Orange*. Respondent admits that he did  
3 not prosecute the matter after the first amended complaint was filed and respondent admits that  
4 he did not appear at the OSC re dismissal on October 7, 2009. Respondent asserts that he did  
5 coopertate in the diciplinary investigation pending against respondent. Respondent admits that he  
6 did not cooperate in a timely manner and his cooperation was delayed but asserts that he did  
7 cooperate.  
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10 FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

11 4. The allegations of the notice of disciplinary charges are insufficient to charge  
12 professional misconduct in that they fail to specifically set forth facts that would constitute a  
13 basis for said allegations.  
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15 EXTENUATING AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES

16 5. Respondent will amend his reponse to explain these circumstances when  
17 appropriate.  
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19 Respondent further reserves the right to supplement this information upon completion of  
20 his investigation and preparation in this matter.

21 WHEREFORE, respondent prays that the hearing Panel find that the acts charged did not  
22 constitute professional misconduct or, if misconduct is found, that it be excused by virtue of the  
23 mitigating circumstances submitted.

24 Dated: June 25, 2015

25 WILLIAMS LAW FIRM

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28 Mark H. Williams

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2 STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
3 )  
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )

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6 and not a party to the instant matter. My business address is 5959 West Century Boulevard, Suite  
7 770, Los Angeles, California 90045.

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9 NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES on the party to this action by serving:

10 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL  
11 William Todd, Deputy Trial Counsel  
12 845 South Figueroa Street  
13 Los Angeles, California 90017

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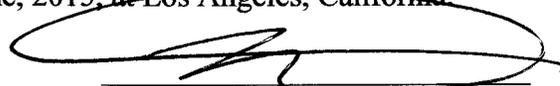
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26 foregoing is true and correct.

27  (Federal) I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at  
28 whose direction the service was made.

Executed this 29th day of June, 2015, at Los Angeles, California



Mark H. Williams