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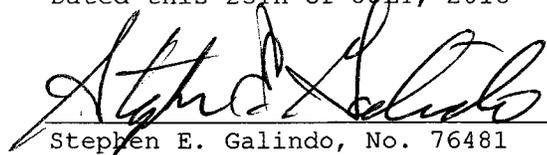
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**STATE BAR COURT
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5 STATE BAR COURT
6 HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES

7 In the Matter of:) Case No.:
8)
9 STEPHEN EDWARD GALINDO,) 15-0-13901; 15-0-13970;
No. 76481,) 15-N-15375; 16-0-12529
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A MEMBER of the State Bar) RESOPONSE TO NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY
11) CHARGES
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16 Dated this 25TH of JULY, 2016

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19 Stephen E. Galindo, No. 76481



1 Stephen E. Galindo, a member of the State Bar of California, No. 76481,
2 Replies to the charges and allegations of the State Bar of
3 California as follows:

4 1. COUNT ONE, CASE No. 15-0-13901

5 Respondent denies this allegation in its entirety and
6 specifically states that he did not indicate or state that he
7 was representing a defendant or was a suspects attorney as
8 alleged in Count One.
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10 2. COUNT TWO, Case No. 15-o-13901

11 Respondent denies this allegation in its entirety and
12 specifically states that he did not identify himself as an
13 attorney who was representing a suspect in a criminal
14 investigation.
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16 3. COUNT THREE, Case No. 15-0-13901

17 Respondent has no present recollection of the facts stated
18 in this allegation but specifically denies that he at any time
19 purposefully, intentionally or willfully made a false statement
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21 4. COUNT FOUR, Case No. 15-0-13970

22 Respondent denies this allegation in its entirety and
23 specifically states that he did not present himself as an active
24 member entitled to practice law.
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26 5. COUNT FIVE, Case No. 15-0-13970
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1 Respondent has no present recollection of the facts stated
2 in this allegation but specifically denies that he at any time
3 purposefully, intentionally or willfully made any false
4 statements.
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6 6. COUNT SIX, Case No. 15-N-15375

7 Respondent admits that he failed to file a declaration of
8 compliance with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20. Respondent
9 thought that he had complied within the required time period but
10 when the issue was brought up by the investigator respondent
11 reviewed his records and realized that he had not in fact filed
12 on time. Respondent did comply and provided a copy to the
13 investigator as requested. However, Respondent maintains that
14 this was not a willful violation but an honest mistake caused in
15 part by Respondents ongoing medical illness and the side effects
16 of various prescribed medications.
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19 7. COUNT SEVEN, Case No. 16-0-12529

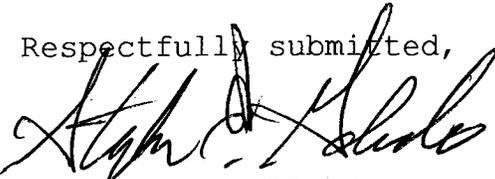
20 Respondent has no present recollection of the events
21 alluded to in this allegation but will admit the failure to file
22 the quarterly reports on time. As to the required meeting with
23 the Office of Probation my recollection is that a postponement
24 was agreed to by Respondent and Probation due to Respondents
25 illness.
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1 8. COMMENTS APPLICABLE TO ALL COUNTS AND
2 ALLEGATIONS

3 Respondent would ask that consideration be given to the
4 fact that during the period of probation, he has been suffering
5 from End Stage Renal Disease (Kidney Failure) and unrelated
6 heart disease. Respondent has been hospitalized twice during the
7 probationary period. Respondent had suffered head trauma when he
8 was hit by a motor vehicle. The kidney failure and the myriad of
9 medications have at times impacted his mental state, his memory,
10 and his ability to comprehend, process and understand events and
11 details as he did before. Therefor many failures of
12 recollection, missed dates and incorrect recollections were
13 honest mistakes and inadvertence. They were not willful or
14 intentional acts as alleged.

15 Respondent has been an attorney for approximately 38 years
16 and not one client has complained about their representation by
17 Respondent or his legal professionalism. Would it not be
18 appropriate to take this into account and to view these
19 allegations in their full context?

20 DATED: July 25, 2016

21 Respectfully submitted,
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23 STEPHEN E. GALINDO