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HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES

13 In the Matter of:) Case No. 15-O-13950
14 ABEL HERNANDEZ,)
15 No. 159902,) NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES
16 A Member of the State Bar.)

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**
23 **WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW;**
24 (3) **YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE FURTHER IN**
25 **THESE PROCEEDINGS UNLESS YOU MAKE A TIMELY MOTION**
26 **AND THE DEFAULT IS SET ASIDE, AND;**
27 (4) **YOU SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL DISCIPLINE.**
28 **SPECIFICALLY, IF YOU FAIL TO TIMELY MOVE TO SET ASIDE**
OR VACATE YOUR DEFAULT, THIS COURT WILL ENTER AN
ORDER RECOMMENDING YOUR DISBARMENT WITHOUT
FURTHER HEARING OR PROCEEDING. SEE RULE 5.80 ET SEQ.,
RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA.



1 The State Bar of California alleges:

2 JURISDICTION

3 1. Abel Hernandez ("respondent") was admitted to the practice of law in the State of
4 California on October 14, 1992, was a member at all times pertinent to these charges, and is
5 currently a member of the State Bar of California.

6 COUNT ONE

7 Case No. 15-O-13950
8 Business and Professions Code section 6068(k)
9 [Failure to Comply With Conditions of Probation]

10 2. Respondent failed to comply with conditions attached to Respondent's disciplinary
11 probation in State Bar case no. 12-H-13870 as follows, in willful violation of Business and
12 Professions Code section 6068(k):

13 A. Failing to file seven quarterly reports by their due dates of July 10, 2013, October 10,
14 2013, January 10, 2014, April 10, 2014, July 10, 2014, October 10, 2014, and January
15 10, 2015; and

16 B. Failing to file the quarterly report due by April 10, 2015;

17 C. Failing to file the final report due by May 24, 2015;

18 D. Failing to attend Ethics School by May 24, 2014; and

19 E. Failing to timely submit proof of Ethics School attendance and proof of passage of
20 the test given at the end of the session by May 24, 2014.

21 NOTICE - INACTIVE ENROLLMENT!

22 **YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT IF THE STATE BAR
23 COURT FINDS, PURSUANT TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE
24 SECTION 6007(c), THAT YOUR CONDUCT POSES A SUBSTANTIAL
25 THREAT OF HARM TO THE INTERESTS OF YOUR CLIENTS OR TO
26 THE PUBLIC, YOU MAY BE INVOLUNTARILY ENROLLED AS AN
27 INACTIVE MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR. YOUR INACTIVE
28 ENROLLMENT WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO ANY DISCIPLINE
RECOMMENDED BY THE COURT.**

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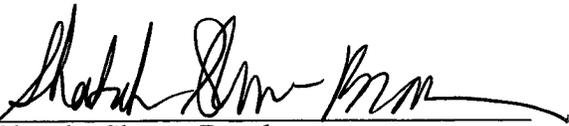
NOTICE - COST ASSESSMENT!

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

Respectfully submitted,

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

DATED: March 17, 2016

By: 
Shataka Shores-Brooks
Deputy Trial Counsel

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