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STATE BAR COURT

HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES

In the Matter of:)	Case No.: 15-O-14084
LEE ALAN GROSS,)	NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES
No. 153412,)	
)	
A Member of the State Bar.)	

NOTICE - FAILURE TO RESPOND!

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

- (1) YOUR DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED;**
- (2) YOUR STATUS WILL BE CHANGED TO INACTIVE AND YOU
WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW;**
- (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;**
- (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
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. LEE ALAN GROSS ("Respondent") was admitted to the practice of law in the State
4 of California on June 11, 1991, 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-14084
8 Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 1-300(B)
[Unauthorized Practice of Law in Other Jurisdiction]

9 2. From in or about August 2013 through in or about April 2014, Respondent held
10 himself out as entitled to practice law and practiced law by soliciting employment through
11 advertisement, by advising Massachusetts residents Luc and Christian François of their legal
12 rights and options regarding a mortgage loan modification for property located in
13 Massachusetts, by accepting employment with Luc and Christian François and by performing
14 legal services in connection with negotiating and obtaining a mortgage loan modification for
15 Luc and Christian François when to do so was in violation of the laws and regulations of the
16 profession in Massachusetts, namely Massachusetts General Laws, Chap. 221, § 46A-46C and
17 Massachusetts Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 5.5(b), in willful violation of the Rules of
18 Professional Conduct, rule 1-300(B).

19 COUNT TWO

20 Case No. 15-O-14084
21 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-200(A)
[Illegal Fee]

22 3. On or about August 27, 2013, Respondent entered into an agreement for, charged
23 and/or collected from Massachusetts residents Luc and Christian François a fee of \$3,495 to
24 perform legal services that was illegal because Respondent was not entitled to practice law in
25 Massachusetts, in willful violation of the Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-200(A).

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1 **DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL**

2 **CASE NUMBER: 15-O-14084**

3 I, the undersigned, over the age of eighteen (18) years, whose business address and place
4 of employment is the State Bar of California, 845 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, California
5 90017, declare that I am not a party to the within action; that I am readily familiar with the State
6 Bar of California's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the
7 United States Postal Service; that in the ordinary course of the State Bar of California's practice,
8 correspondence collected and processed by the State Bar of California would be deposited with
9 the United States Postal Service that same day; that I am aware that on motion of party served,
10 service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date on the envelope or
11 package is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing contained in the affidavit; and that
12 in accordance with the practice of the State Bar of California for collection and processing of
13 mail, I deposited or placed for collection and mailing in the City and County of Los Angeles, on
14 the date shown below, a true copy of the within

10 **NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES**

11 in a sealed envelope placed for collection and mailing as certified mail, return receipt requested,
12 Article No.: 7414 7266 9904 2010 0747 79, at Los Angeles, on the date shown below, addressed
13 to:

13 **Lee A. Gross**
14 **P.O. Box 6361**
15 **Irvine, CA 92616**

15 in an inter-office mail facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed to:

16 **N/A**

17 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
18 foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on the date shown below.

18 DATED: February 8, 2016

19 Signed: 
20 **Lupe Pacheco**
21 **Declarant**