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STATE BAR COURT

HEARING DEPARTMENT - SAN FRANCISCO

In the Matter of: ) Case No. 16-O-13118  
CHARLES WALLACE COPPOCK, ) NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES  
No. 79458, )  
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.**



1 The State Bar of California alleges:

2 JURISDICTION

3 1. CHARLES WALLACE COPPOCK ("respondent") was admitted to the practice of  
4 law in the State of California on April 13, 1978, was a member at all times pertinent to these  
5 charges, and is currently a member of the State Bar of California.

6 COUNT ONE

7 Case No. 16-O-13118  
8 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(A)  
9 [Commingling Personal Funds in Client Trust Account]

10 2. Beginning on or about November 2, 2015, and continuing through on or about May  
11 16, 2016, respondent deposited or commingled funds belonging to respondent into respondent's  
12 client trust account at Bank of America, account number 0016xxxxxxx, as follows in willful  
13 violation Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(A):

<u>DATE OF DEPOSIT</u>	<u>AMT. DEPOSITED</u>	<u>FORM OF DEPOSIT</u>
02/26/16	\$100.50	Cash
02/29/16	\$61.00	Cash

16 COUNT TWO

17 Case No. 16-O-13118  
18 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(A)  
19 [Commingling Personal Funds in Client Trust Account]

20 3. Beginning on or about November 2, 2015, and continuing through on or about May  
21 16, 2016, respondent issued the following checks (and/or made cash withdrawals) from  
22 respondent's funds commingled in respondent's client trust account at Bank of America, account  
23 number 0016xxxxxxx, in willful violation Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(A):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Check</u>	<u>\$ AMT/</u>	<u>PAYEE/PAYOR</u>	<u>MEMO LINE</u>
	<u>#</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>		<u>NOTES</u>
11/02/15		\$134.75		Cash Withdrawal
11/20/15		\$269.35	Comcast	

1	<u>DATE</u>	<u>Check</u>	<u>\$ AMT/</u>	<u>PAYEE/PAYOR</u>	<u>MEMO LINE</u>
2		<u>#</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>		<u>NOTES</u>
3	11/23/15	1705	\$200.00	Patelco	
4	11/24/15		\$147.28	AT&T	
5	11/24/15		\$89.38	GEICO	
6	11/27/15	1706	\$48.46	AT&T	
7	12/03/15	1707	\$260.00	Patelco	
8	12/07/15		\$94.06	AT&T	
9	12/14/15	1717	\$250.00	Respondent	
10	12/14/15	1718	\$500.00	Patelco	
11	12/15/15		\$145.20	Valley Yellow Pages	
12	12/15/15	1719	\$200.00	Patelco	
13	12/16/15		\$2,032.00	Gold Club Member	
14	12/18/15		\$152.28	AT&T	
15	12/22/15		\$263.36	Comcast	
16	12/23/15		\$89.38	GEICO	
17	12/28/15		\$50.67	AT&T	
18	12/29/15		\$200.00	Respondent	Cash
19	12/29/15	1724	\$142.07	PG&E	
20	01/04/16	1728	\$7,000.00	Patelco	
21	01/04/16	1729	\$750.00	Key Properties	
22	01/04/16		\$130.56	City of Santa Rosa	
23	01/04/16		\$90.18	AT&T	
24	01/05/16		\$209.77	AT&T	
25	01/11/16	1731	\$700.00	Patelco	
26	01/12/16		\$1,997.50	Gold Club Member	
27	01/22/16		\$89.38	GEICO	
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2		<u>#</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>		<u>NOTES</u>
3	01/27/16		\$263.36	Comcast	
4	01/27/16		\$44.14	AT&T	
5	01/28/16	1732	\$145.00	S.C.S.O. (Sonoma County Treasurer)	
6	01/30/16	1735	\$1,000.00	Patelco	
7	02/01/16		\$182.56	AT&T	
8	02/02/16		\$35.50	HRRG	
9	02/05/16	1739	\$145.00	S.C.S.O. (Sonoma County Treasurer)	
10	02/08/16		\$210.08	GEICO	
11	02/08/16	1786	\$200.00	Respondent	
12	02/16/16	1763	\$200.00	Cash	
13	02/16/16	1765	\$200.00	Blank	
14	02/18/16	1768	\$750.00	Blank	
15	02/24/16		\$89.38	GEICO	
16	02/29/16		\$48.60	AT&T	
17	03/07/16		\$205.20	GEICO	
18	03/15/16		\$89.39	AT&T	
19	03/23/16		\$89.38	GEICO	
20	03/24/16		\$400.12	AT&T	
21	03/28/16		\$127.58	AT&T	
22	04/06/16		\$205.20	GEICO	
23	04/14/16		\$89.39	AT&T	
24	04/27/16		\$152.58	AT&T	
25	05/16/16		\$89.44	AT&T	
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**NOTICE - INACTIVE ENROLLMENT!**

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

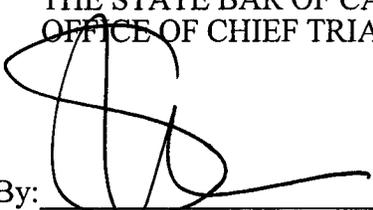
**NOTICE - COST ASSESSMENT!**

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

16 Respectfully submitted,

17 THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA  
18 OFFICE OF CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

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20 DATED: October 31, 2016

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**DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED AND REGULAR MAIL**

**RE: COPPOCK  
CASE NOS.: 16-O-13118**

I, the undersigned, over the age of eighteen (18) years, whose business address and place of employment is the State Bar of California, 180 Howard Street, San Francisco, California 94105, declare that I am not a party to the within action; that I am readily familiar with the State Bar of California's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service; that in the ordinary course of the State Bar of California's practice, correspondence collected and processed by the State Bar of California would be deposited with the United States Postal Service that same day; that I am aware that on motion of party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date on the envelope or package is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing contained in the affidavit; and that in accordance with the practice of the State Bar of California for collection and processing of mail, I deposited or placed for collection and mailing in the City and County of San Francisco, on the date shown below, a true copy of the within

**NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES**

in a sealed envelope placed for collection and mailing as *certified mail, return receipt requested*, and in an additional sealed envelope as *regular mail*, at San Francisco, on the date shown below, addressed to:

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**Steven Bruce Taxman  
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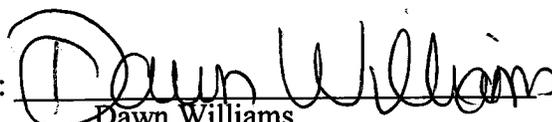
in an inter-office mail facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed to:

N/A

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

DATED: October 31, 2016

Signed:

  
Dawn Williams  
Declarant