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In the Matter of:

MOISES ALCIDES AVILES

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A Member of the State Bar

Case No.: 18-O-13124

ANSWER TO NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

COUNT 1

Former Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 3-110(A)

[Failure to Perform with Competence]

Case No. 18-O-13124

DENY in part ADMIT

1. On or about August 28, 2017, Jose Antonio Arredondo Chinchillas retained Aviles & Associates/Attorney Moises Aviles to perform legal services in filing a United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Form N-336, Request for a Hearing on a Decision in Naturalization Proceedings which I performed. In determining that Form N-336 was correct way to assist Mr. Arredondo by researching Hamdi v. USCIS; Case #: 10-894VAP(DTBx) decision. I drafted the N-336 Petition with supporting evidence. After, drafting the Form N-336 and Complaint for Elder Abuse - Aviles v. Memorial Hospital of MOISES A. AVILES (226569) AVILES & ASSOCIATES

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COUNT 3

Case No. 18-O-13124

Former Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 4-100(B)(4) [Failure to Pay Client Funds Promptly]

DENY

3. On March 1, 2018 Mr. Arredondo requested that I stop working on his case and requested a refund to him \$1,500.00 and the filling fee. I inform him by law I needed to do an accounting of all legal services provided by my office. He informed me he didn't want and accounting and he left my office. On March 16, 2018 Mr. Arredondo came to my office and my secretary gave him the accounting and the filing fee he refused to accept both and he left the office. On March 19, 2018 I immediately send a letter to Mr. Arredondo with accounting attached. The accounting attached evidence that I had worked 4.5 hours in his matter and my hourly rate in the Retainer states that my hourly rate is \$375.00. The total amount of legal services rendered was \$1.687.00.

COUNT 4

Case No. 18-O-13124

Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 3-700(D)(2)
[Failure to Refund Unearned Fees]

DENY

4. Because that Accounting evidence that I worked 4.5 hours in Mr. Arredondo matter and amount rendered in legal services was \$1,687.00 I believe I had earned the fees by the work I had done by me

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COUNT 5

Case no. 18-O-13124

Business and Professions Code, section 6106 [Moral Turpitude – Misappropriation] Deny in part Admit

5. On or about September 12, 2017 I received on behalf of my client, Jose Antonio Arredondo, \$700.00 for filing Form N-336 to USCIS. I kept the money cash because when the Form N-336 was going to be file I was going to ask my secretary to purchase a money order to send the filing fee. When my client came to my office on March 1, 2018 I realized that my secretary had not send the Form N-336 to USCIS and that she had the \$700.00 cash in client's file. Client terminated my services and requested refund of the attorney fees and the \$700.00 filing fee. I informed Client would give him the \$700 filing fee that day but I cannot reimbursed the attorney fees because I needed to do an accounting for legal services before determining if I owed any money to Client. Client refused to accept the \$700 filing fee cash and left my office. On March 21, 2018 I purchased a United States Postal Money Order in order to refund the advanced cost to my client. On April 30, 2018 I deposited the \$700 filing fee in my Client Trust Account to keep the money there. On April 1, 2018 I withdraw \$700 from the Trust Account for mistakenly.

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Count 6

Case No. 18-O-13124

Business and Professions Code, section 6106 [Moral Turpitude- Misrepresentation to the State Bar and Proffering False Documents]

DENY

6. On March 19, 2018 I sent a letter to my client enclosing the accounting. I mistakenly assumed my secretary had sent my client the \$700 and I mistakenly wrote in that letter that I was sending the \$700 Postal Money Order to my Client

Dated: January 15, 2018

Respectfully submitted

By MOLE

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meeting with Mr. Arredondo to execute the N-336 Form Mr. Arredondo executed the Form N-336. After execution of the N-336 Form I gave me to my secretary Denise Mata to prepare to mail it to USCIS. I presumed that my secretary Denise Mata have mailed the Form N-336. On March 1, 2018 Mr. Arredondo came to my office and asked if I had filed the Form N-336. I asked my secretary Denise Mata if she had mailed the Form N-336 to USCIS after checking the file I realized she had not sent the Form N-336 to USCIS. I immediately told Mr. Arredondo that N-336 Form was done and ready to be mail right away. Mr. Arredondo stated he did not want me to proceed with the mailing of the Form N-336 to USCIS.

COUNT 2

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[Failure to Inform Client of Significant Developments]

DENY

2. Mr. Arredondo and I had no communication from the date he executed the Form-336. I did not communicate with him because I had presumed my secretary had mailed the Form N-336. I was waiting for USCIS to respond to the Form -336. When I realized on March 1, 2018 I told Mr. Arredondo I could send it right away but he refused. I did communicate telephonically with Mr. Arredondo month of March 2018

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PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

On January 15, 2019, I served the foregoing document described as ANSWER TO NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES on the parties herein in this action by placing a true and complete copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope, first class postage fully prepaid, addressed as follows:

The State Bar Court of California 845 S. Figueroa Street Los Angeles, CA. 90017

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The State Bar of California Office of Chief Trial Counsel Attn: Scott D. Karpf, Deputy Trial Counsel 845 S. Figueroa Street Los Angeles, CA. 90017

Executed on January 15, 2019, at San Bernardino, California, I declare under Penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Declaran