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BAR OF NEVADA

SOUTHERN NEVADA DISCIPLINARY BOARD

STATE BAR OF NEVADA,	STATE BA
Complainant, vs.)) PUBLIC REPRIMAND
THOMAS S. SHADDIX, ESQ., NEVADA BAR NO. 7905))
Respondent.)))

TO: THOMAS S. SHADDIX, ESQ.

Barry Egert ("Egert") retained you for representation concerning a federal DUI criminal matter. Egert's complaint to the State Bar indicated a lack of diligence and a lack of communication in your representation of him, including your failure to appear at a December 2009 hearing which subsequently resulted in Egert being arrested on a bench warrant.

On May 14, 2010, the State Bar sent you a letter of investigation to your Supreme Court Rule ("SCR") 79 address regarding Egert's grievance. On June 8, 2010, the State Bar received a letter from you dated June 1, 2010, wherein you requested an extension in which to respond to the State Bar until June 8, 2010. However, you did not correspond further with the State Bar in this matter and failed to respond to the substance of the State Bar's letter dated May 14, 2010.

The State Bar subsequently sent you a reminder letter dated June 25, 2010, to your SCR 79 address via regular mail and certified mail/return receipt requested. The correspondence informed you that failure to respond would result in a grievance file being opened and your failure to cooperate would be considered a violation of RPC 8.1 (Bar

Admission and Disciplinary Matters). You failed to respond to the State Bar's letter dated June 25, 2010.

As a result, a grievance file was opened on August 17, 2010, and you were sent notice via regular mail and certified mail/return receipt requested to his SCR 79 address. The letter asked you to respond to Egert's grievance within ten (10) days. You failed to respond to the State Bar's letter dated August 17, 2010.

Although the State Bar was required to make numerous attempts prior to establishing contact with you, you ultimately accepted responsibility for your actions in regard to Egert's matter and for not responding to the State Bar. Prior to communicating with the State Bar, you fully refunded Egert's fee and remained as counsel in Egert's matter until the completion of his case, which resulted in Egert receiving probation for one count and dismissal of the three remaining counts.

In regard to your failure to respond to the State Bar, you are reminded that the practice of law is a self-regulated profession and therefore it is imperative for attorneys to fully cooperate in disciplinary proceedings in order to maintain the integrity of the profession.

In light of the foregoing, you violated Rule of Professional Conduct ("RPC") 1.3 (Diligence), RPC 1.4 (Communication) and RPC 8.1(b) (Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters) and are hereby PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED.

Dated this ____day, of June, 2011.

SHANN D. WINESETT, ESQ., Chair Southern Nevada Disciplinary Panel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing: CONDITIONAL GUILTY PLEA IN EXCHANGE FOR A STATED FORM OF DISCIPLINE; FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER APPROVING CONDITIONAL GUILTY PLEA IN EXCHANGE FOR A STATED FORM OF DISCIPLINE; and PUBLIC REPRIMAND was placed in a sealed envelope and sent by U.S. regular mail and certified in Las Vegas, Nevada, postage fully prepaid thereon for first class regular mail and certified mail addressed to:

Thomas S. Shaddix, Esq. Offices of Thomas Shaddix 3235 S. Eastern Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89169

CERTIFIED MAIL: 7010 0290 0000 8831 9978

DATED this _____ day of June, 2011.

Luisa Cota, an Employee of the State Bar of Nevada