

**AFFIDAVIT**

**STATE OF FLORIDA:**  
**COUNTY OF LEON:**

Before me, personally appeared, Melissa M. Mara, who, first being duly sworn and under oath states the following:

1. I am employed as a paralegal by The Florida Bar, Lawyer Regulation - Headquarters, 651 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.
2. It is my responsibility to monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of the Supreme Court order in a disciplinary matter.
3. I am familiar with our file regarding Peter G. Stamas (TFB File No. 2015-51,254(17A)OSC/Supreme Court Case No. SC15-1110).
4. In the order of suspension, Mr. Stamas was ordered to comply with Rule 3-5.1(h), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, by notifying his clients, opposing counsel and tribunals of his suspension and providing The Florida Bar within 30 days of his suspension a sworn affidavit listing the names and addresses of all persons and entities that were furnished a copy of his suspension order.
5. The Florida Bar notified Mr. Stamas of the conditions associated with his suspension by letter dated August 20, 2015, to his record bar address, specifically the requirement that he submit the sworn affidavit pursuant to Rule 3-5.1(h), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar. The Bar's letter dated August 20, 2015 from The Florida Bar to respondent is attached hereto as "Exhibit 1."
6. The Florida Bar notified Mr. Stamas of his noncompliance with the conditions of his suspension by letter dated September 18, 2015, to his record bar address and email, specifically his failure to submit the sworn affidavit pursuant to Rule 3-5.1(h), Rules Regulating The Florida Bar. The Bar's letter and email dated September 18, 2015 is attached hereto as "Composite Exhibit 2."
7. Mr. Stamas has failed to submit the required affidavit containing a list of persons/entities to which he gave notice of his suspension and provided a copy of his order of suspension.

*Melissa Mara*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
AFFIANT

**Exhibit B**

RECEIVED, 06/08/2016 10:28:43 AM, Clerk, Supreme Court

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of June, 2016, by Melissa M. Mara who is personally known to me.

*Sheryl Remien Walker*  
NOTARY PUBLIC



My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print, type or stamp Commission Name of Notary Public)



# The Florida Bar

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August 20, 2015

Mr. Peter G. Stamas  
315 SE 7th Street, Suite 301  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301-3158

Re: The Florida Bar v. Peter G. Stamas; Supreme Court Case No.: SC15-1110  
The Florida Bar File No.: 2015-51,254(17A)(OSC)

Dear Mr. Stamas:

Pursuant to the order of the Supreme Court of Florida dated August 18, 2015, you were suspended from the practice of law until and unless you fully respond in writing to the official Bar inquiry and until further order of this court and successfully petition the Court for reinstatement. The effective date of the suspension is September 17, 2015. The filing of a motion for rehearing does not alter the effective date of the suspension. Should you remain suspended for a period of time greater than 90 days, you must petition for reinstatement after the suspension has ended, if you wish to resume the practice of law in Florida. Rule 3-7.10 outlines the procedure and considerations for reinstatement.

You must follow the provisions of Rule 3-5.1(h). A copy of the order must be provided to clients, opposing counsel, and certain courts, and you must provide an affidavit to us verifying that this has been done. A form affidavit is enclosed. Please note, providing a copy of the order to the clerk's office does not satisfy this rule. You must provide a copy of the order to the presiding judge. The executed affidavit must be provided to this office within 30 days of the court order **to wit**: September 17, 2015. If you had no clients or pending matters at the time the order was served in this case, the affidavit should so state. Should you accept employment with a Florida lawyer or law firm, additional requirements apply. Please see Rule 3-6.1 in this respect. In order to avoid the appearance of being a lawyer in good standing, you must eliminate all indicia of attorney status (telephone listings, stationery, checks, business cards, office signs, etc.).

**Exhibit 1**

Mr. Peter G. Stamas

August 20, 2015

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Lisa Chason will be your contact person at The Florida Bar for issues relating to compliance with the court's order and may be contacted at (850) 561-5796 should there be any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheryl Remien Walker". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Sheryl Remien Walker, CP FCP, FRP  
Certified Paralegal  
Lawyer Regulation Headquarters

Enclosure—3-5.1(h) affidavit

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

## AFFIDAVIT

I, Peter G. Stamas, after being duly sworn, say:

This affidavit is submitted pursuant to Rule 3-5.1(h) of the Rules of Discipline in conjunction with the decision in The Florida Bar v. Peter G. Stamas, SC15-1110; The Florida Bar File No. 2015-51,254(17A)(OSC).

1. \_\_\_\_\_ I had no clients(s) or matter(s) pending at the time of the order directing me to cease the practice of law.

OR

2a. \_\_\_\_\_ I have furnished a copy of the court order to all my clients with matters pending when the court's order was served on me; and

2b. \_\_\_\_\_ to all opposing counsel and co-counsel in the matters listed in 2a. above; and,

2c. \_\_\_\_\_ To all courts, tribunals, or adjudicative agencies before which I am counsel of record.

2d. \_\_\_\_\_ The names and addresses of all persons and entities that have been furnished with such notification are indicated on the attached list (Exhibit A), and such is a complete listing of all persons and entities notified pursuant to this rule.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Peter G Stamas

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print, type, or stamp commission name of  
notary public

Personally known to me or produced the following identification: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Identification

Return to:  
Lisa F. Chason, Compliance Coordinator  
The Florida Bar  
651 East Jefferson Street  
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September 18, 2015

Sent via email to [pete@stamaslaw.com](mailto:pete@stamaslaw.com) and regular U.S. mail

Mr. Peter G. Stamas  
315 SE 7th Street, Suite 301  
Ft Lauderdale, FL 33301-3158

Re: The Florida Bar v. Peter G. Stamas; Supreme Court Case No.: SC15-1110  
The Florida Bar File No. 2015-51,254(17A)

Dear Mr. Stamas:

The Florida Bar has not received your affidavit in compliance with Rule 3-5.1(h) as ordered by The Florida Supreme Court. Therefore, you are not in compliance with the terms and conditions of the above-referenced court order.

You were previously notified of this rule by our Lawyer Regulation - Headquarters office on August 20, 2015. A second form affidavit is enclosed for your convenience in fulfilling the requirements of this rule that should be sent directly to my attention at the above address within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. *If you fail to comply with this request, The Florida Bar may file a Petition for Contempt and Order to Show Cause.*

**YOUR PROMPT ATTENTION IS REQUIRED.**

Sincerely,

Arne Carl Vanstrum, Associate Director  
Lawyer Regulation Headquarters

ACV/mmm

Enclosure - 3-5.1(h) Affidavit

**Composite Exhibit 2**

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COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

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OR

- 2.a. \_\_\_\_\_ I have furnished a copy of the court order to all my clients with matters pending when the court order was served on me; and
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ to all opposing counsel and co-counsel in the matters listed in 2a. above; and
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ To all courts, tribunals, or adjudicative agencies before which I am counsel of record.
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ The names and addresses of all persons and entities that have been furnished with such notification are indicated on the attached list (Exhibit A), and such is a complete listing of all persons and entities notified pursuant to this rule.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Peter G. Stamas

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print, type, or stamp commission name

Personally known to me or produced the following identification: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to:  
Melissa M. Mara, CP, FRP  
Certified Paralegal  
The Florida Bar  
651 East Jefferson Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300



**TFB File No. 2015-51,254 (17A)/SC15-1110**  
**Melissa M Mara** to: pete

09/18/2015 09:35 AM

Dear Mr. Stamas:

Attached is a letter regarding your noncompliance with Rule 3-5.1(h) in the above-referenced matter which was also mailed to you today. Your prompt attention is required.



Stamas 9-18-15.pdf

Sincerely,

Melissa M. Mara, CP, FRP  
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Lawyer Regulation  
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This message may contain confidential and/or privileged information. If you are not the addressee or authorized to receive this for the addressee, you must not use, copy, disclose, or take any action based on this message or any information herein. If you have received this message in error, please advise the sender immediately by reply e-mail and delete this message. Thank you for your cooperation.