

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA
(Before a Referee)

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Complainant,

v.

STEVEN KONSTANTINOS
DIMOPOULOS,

Respondent.

Supreme Court Case
No.

The Florida Bar File
No. 2021-00,391(2B)

FORMAL COMPLAINT FOR RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE

The Florida Bar, complainant, files this Complaint against Steven Konstantinos Dimopoulos, respondent, pursuant to the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar and alleges:

1. Respondent is, and at all times mentioned in the complaint was, a member of The Florida Bar, admitted on April 25, 2011, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida.

2. In addition to membership in The Florida Bar, respondent was a member of the State Bar of Nevada, subject to the jurisdiction of Supreme Court of Nevada.

3. This is a reciprocal discipline action, based on respondent's March 15, 2021, notice to The Florida Bar of a Letter of Reprimand dated November 20, 2020, by the Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board, which

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imposed a Letter of Reprimand. A copy is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

4. The letter of reprimand was based on the following conduct:

A. On June 9, 2019, Kiara Williams, and other members of her family, were in a car accident.

B. On June 10, 2019, they retained respondent's office to represent them.

C. On October 7, 2019, Yoselyn Segundo, respondent's non-lawyer case manager, communicated with the opposing insurance company, Farmers Insurance (Farmers), about the property damage claim related to the accident.

D. On January 7, 2020, Deanna Kope, Farmers' adjustor, sent Ms. Segundo an email that she did not have a demand letter on Ms. Williams.

E. On January 27, 2020, a demand letter signed by respondent's associate attorney, Jennifer Tang, was sent to Farmers.

F. Subsequently, on February 4, 2020, Segundo sent an email to Ms. Tang advising that Farmers offered \$2,150.90, to settle Ms. Williams's case.

G. Respondent provided interoffice emails between David Torres, respondent's non-lawyer claims supervisor, Ms. Segundo and

Ms. Tang discussing a counteroffer to Farmers and the range where the settlement should fall.

H. Mr. Torres suggested with Ms. Tang in agreement, that Ms. Segundo propose a counteroffer of \$6,000 and that she try to resolve the case between \$3,500- \$4,000. Ms. Segundo replied "Okay, I will keep that in mind with negotiating."

I. Ms. Segundo had also exchanged emails with Ms. Kope in April and May with counteroffers for other members of the Williams family.

J. In respondent's response to the Nevada State Bar, he stated that his office policy is that an attorney should be cc'd on all negotiation emails sent by his staff to an opposing insurance company.

K. However, respondent admitted that this was not done in the Williams case.

L. By reason of the foregoing, respondent violated Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct: 5.3 (Responsibilities Regarding Nonlawyer Assistants) and 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law).

5. By operation of Rule 3-4.6, Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, the Letter of Reprimand shall be considered as conclusive proof of such misconduct in this disciplinary proceeding.

WHEREFORE, The Florida Bar prays respondent will be appropriately disciplined in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar as amended.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been E-filed with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, with a copy provided via email to Steven Konstantinos Dimopoulos, at sd@stevedimopoulos.com; and that a copy has been furnished by United States Mail via Certified Mail No. 7017 1070 0000 4774 3064, return receipt requested, to Steven Konstantinos Dimopoulos, whose record bar address is Dimopoulos Law Firm, 6671 Las Vegas Boulevard S., Unit D-275, Las Vegas, NV 89119-3273; and via email to Rose L. Garrison, Bar Counsel, rgarrison@floridabar.org; on this 3rd day of February 2022.



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NOTICE OF TRIAL COUNSEL AND DESIGNATION OF PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the trial counsel in this matter is Rose L. Garrison, Bar Counsel, whose address, telephone number and primary email address are The Florida Bar, Tallahassee Branch Office, 651 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300, (850) 561-5845, and rgarrison@floridabar.org. Respondent need not address pleadings, correspondence, etc., in this matter to anyone other than trial counsel and to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300, psavitz@floridabar.org.

MANDATORY ANSWER NOTICE

RULE 3-7.6(h)(2), RULES REGULATING THE FLORIDA BAR, PROVIDES THAT A RESPONDENT SHALL ANSWER A COMPLAINT.