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December 2, 2015

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Andrew Dilworth
201 California Street
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Re: Respondent: Cory Briggs
Case Number: 15-O-13610
State Bar Investigation

Dear Mr. Dilworth:

This letter is sent to you based upon information that you currently represent the Respondent in this matter. If this is incorrect, please advise me within five days so that I may direct this letter to the Respondent personally.

The State Bar has completed the investigation of the allegations of professional misconduct and determined that this matter does not warrant further action. Therefore, the matter is closed.

The decision to close this matter is without prejudice to further proceedings as appropriate pursuant to rule 2603 of the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar of California.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara Field", written over a horizontal line.

Barbara Field
Investigator

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July 16, 2015

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Cory Briggs
Briggs Law Corporation
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Upland, CA 91786

RE: Inquiry Number: 15-19328

Dear Mr. Briggs:

The State Bar is in receipt of information raising issues regarding your conduct. We are directing this communication to you based on our information that you are not currently represented by counsel in this matter. If we are incorrect, please promptly advise the undersigned in writing so that future communications may be directed to your counsel.

This inquiry is based on issues and/or allegations published in a inewsource article written by Brad Racino and dated June 3, 2015.

The article states that since San Diegans for Open Government ("SDOG") formed in 2008, you have filed more than twenty-four (24) lawsuits against city and state agencies on behalf of the organization. It is reported that in one case, you brought a lawsuit against the city on behalf of SDOG over a convention financing issue. You won the case on appeal and the case was remanded back to lower court. A hearing was set to work out the issue of attorney's fees as to how much you would be awarded from the city for representing SDOG. At that time, the judge put you on notice that SDOG had been suspended since April 2, 2012; therefore, it did not have the legal capacity to bring a lawsuit. SDOG apparently paid the delinquent fee and was reinstated into active status once again on November 20, 2012. The article states that during the seven (7) months while SDOG was suspended, court records showed you entered into a least six (6) cases on behalf of SDOF against the city, the county, the state and a construction management company. The convention case was one of those cases. Ultimately, the judge in the convention case declined to award any fees for work performed during SDOG's suspension period.

Section 6068(i) of the California Business and Professions Code requires an attorney "[t]o cooperate and participate in any disciplinary investigation or other regulatory or disciplinary proceeding. . .". The Intake Unit is evaluating whether the above complaint warrants regulatory or disciplinary action. This is your opportunity to present your written reply to the complaint. Please be advised that your failure to cooperate may be considered a separate disciplinary violation in any Notice of Disciplinary Charges.

We are requesting that you provide a written response to these issues or allegations. Please enclose any documentation available to support your response.

1. Address the allegation that you filed at least 6 lawsuits on behalf of SDOG during the time it was suspended.
2. Address the allegation that you represented to the court that SDOG was a valid corporation during its period of suspension.

We must receive your response by noon on July 27, 2015. Should you have any questions, I may be contacted at (213) 765-1286.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Very truly yours,



A.C. Jamison
Complaint Analyst

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Cory J. Briggs
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Re: Case Number: 16-O-16800
A State Bar Investigation

Dear Mr. Briggs:


This letter is sent to you based upon information that you are not currently represented by counsel in this matter. If this is incorrect, please advise me within five days so that future communications may be directed to your counsel.

The State Bar has completed the investigation of the allegations of professional misconduct and determined that this matter does not warrant further action. Therefore, the matter is closed.

The decision to close this matter is without prejudice to further proceedings as appropriate pursuant to Rule 2603 of the Rules of Procedure of the State Bar of California.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,


Lita Abella
Investigator

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February 2, 2017

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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Re: Case Number: 16-O-16800
State Bar Investigation

Dear Mr. Briggs:

This letter is sent to you based upon information that you are not currently represented by counsel in this matter. If this is incorrect, please advise me within **five** days so that future communications may be directed to your counsel.

The State Bar has opened an investigation concerning the following:

On 7-9-12, you knowingly filed a response on behalf of San Diegans for Open Government (SDOG), a suspended corporation.

On 9-22-16, the Court of Appeal, 4th Appellate District, *City of San Diego v. San Diegans for Open Government*, case # D0638939, reversed an award of attorney's fees to your firm because you filed the initial response by your corporate client, when the corporation was suspended, and the court found that you knew of the suspension and failed to inform the court. The court relied on evidence presented by the City that you were aware that SDOG was suspended no later than 5-16-12.

It is alleged that you made a misrepresentation to the Court and failed to support the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Your written response to these allegations along with any supporting documentation is requested. **All** documents that you send to the State Bar, whether **copies or originals**, become State Bar property and are subject to destruction. In addition, please provide the information requested below and legible copies of referenced documents:

1. Please explain why you knowingly filed a response on 7-9-12 on behalf of SDOG, a suspended corporation.

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2. Please explain why you failed to inform that court that SDOG was suspended when you filed the response.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED IN THIS LETTER MAY RESULT IN THE ISSUANCE OF A SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

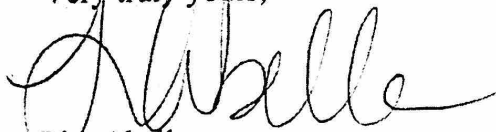
In addition, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6086.10, you may be subject to a cost assessment for the expenses incurred by the State Bar if this matter results in public discipline.

We must receive your written response and the documents requested, if any, by 2-15-17. Section 6068(i) of the Business and Professions Code states that it is the duty of an attorney to cooperate with and participate in any State Bar Investigation.

Upon request, the Office of Chief Trial Counsel will consider granting you additional time within which to submit a written response to the allegations and the requested information and documents. A request for an extension of time must be in writing and state good cause as to the specific constraints on your practice which are claimed to necessitate the additional time. Any request for extension of time must be received by the undersigned on or before 2-15-17.

Please feel free to call me at (213) 765-1616 or email Lita.Abella@calbar.ca.gov if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Lita Abella
Investigator

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