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The State Bar of California alleges:

JURISDICTION

1. Victor Salas Jr. ("Respondent") was admitted to the practice of law in the State of California on December 8, 1988, was a member at all times pertinent to these charges, and is currently a member of the State Bar of California.

COUNT ONE

Case No. 16-O-10058
Business and Professions Code, section 6068(d)
[Seeking to Mislead a Judge]

2. On or about October 28, 2015, Respondent filed or caused to be filed with the court, a Notice of Motion and Petition to Expunge Conviction ("the document") per Penal Code Section 1203.4 in *People v. Maya*, Ventura County Superior Court case no. 2010031209, in which Respondent knew the client's signature on the document was forged, and thereby sought to mislead the judge or judicial officer by an artifice or false statement of fact or law, in willful violation of Business and Professions Code, section 6068(d).

COUNT TWO

Case No. 16-O-10058
Business and Professions Code, section 6106
[Moral Turpitude]

3. On or about October 28, 2015, Respondent filed or caused to be filed with the court, a Notice of Motion and Petition to Expunge Conviction per Penal Code Section 1203.4 in *People v. Maya*, Ventura County Superior Court case no. 2010031209, when Respondent knew or was grossly negligent in not knowing the client's signature on the document was forged, and thereby committed an act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty or corruption in willful violation of Business and Professions Code, section 6106.

COUNT THREE

Case No. 16-O-10058
Business and Professions Code, section 6106
[Moral Turpitude]

4. In or about October 2015, Respondent forged or caused his client's name to be forged on the Petition to Expunge Conviction per Penal Code Section 1203.4 filed with the court on

1 October 28, 2015, when Respondent knew or was grossly negligent in not knowing the client's
2 signature on the document was forged, and thereby committed an act involving moral turpitude,
3 dishonesty or corruption in willful violation of Business and Professions Code, section 6106.

4 COUNT FOUR

5 Case No. 16-O-10058
6 Business and Professions Code, section 6068(m)
7 [Failure to Respond to Client Inquiries]

8 5. Respondent failed to respond promptly to reasonable telephonic status inquiries made
9 by Respondent's client, Misael Maya, between September 2015 and October 2015 that
10 Respondent received in a matter in which Respondent had agreed to provide legal services, in
11 willful violation of Business and Professions Code section 6068(m).

12 COUNT FIVE

13 Case No. 16-O-10058
14 Business and Professions Code, section 6068(m)
15 [Failure to Inform Client of Significant Development]

16 6. Respondent failed to keep Respondent's client, Misael Maya, reasonably informed of
17 significant developments in a matter in which Respondent had agreed to provide legal services,
18 in willful violation of Business and Professions Code, section 6068(m), by failing to inform his
19 client of the October 30, 2015 continuance and by failing to inform his client of the court's
20 December 9, 2015 denial of the client's Petition to Expunge Conviction.

21 COUNT SIX

22 Case No. 16-O-10058
23 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 3-310(F)
24 [Accepting Fees From a Non-Client]

25 7. On or about May 21, 2015, Respondent accepted \$1,250 from Rigoverto Vences as
26 compensation for representing a client, Misael Maya, without obtaining his client's informed
27 written consent to receive such compensation, in willful violation of the Rules of Professional
28 Conduct, rule 3-310(F).

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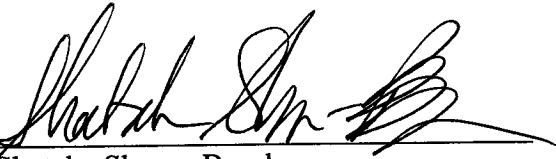
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Respectfully submitted,

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

By: 
Shataka Shores-Brooks
Deputy Trial Counsel

DATED: May 18, 2017

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CASE NUMBER(s): 16-O-10058;16-O-10765; 16-O-13874

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DATED: May 18, 2017

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