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12 STATE BAR COURT
13 HEARING DEPARTMENT - LOS ANGELES

14 In the Matter of:

15 SOHEILA JONOUBI,
16 No. 212833,

17 A Member of the State Bar

) Case No. 17-O-03217

) NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

18 **NOTICE - FAILURE TO RESPOND!**

19 IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER TO THIS NOTICE
20 WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER SERVICE, OR IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT
21 THE STATE BAR COURT TRIAL:

- 22 (1) YOUR DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED;
- 23 (2) YOUR STATUS WILL BE CHANGED TO INACTIVE AND YOU
24 WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW;
- 25 (3) YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE FURTHER IN
26 THESE PROCEEDINGS UNLESS YOU MAKE A TIMELY MOTION
27 AND THE DEFAULT IS SET ASIDE, AND;
- 28 (4) YOU SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL DISCIPLINE.
SPECIFICALLY, IF YOU FAIL TO TIMELY MOVE TO SET ASIDE
OR VACATE YOUR DEFAULT, THIS COURT WILL ENTER AN
ORDER RECOMMENDING YOUR DISBARMENT WITHOUT
FURTHER HEARING OR PROCEEDING. SEE RULE 5.80 ET SEQ.,
RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA.



1 The State Bar of California alleges:

2 JURISDICTION

3 1. Soheila Jonoubi ("respondent") was admitted to the practice of law in the State of
4 California on April 27, 2001, was a member at all times pertinent to these charges, and is
5 currently a member of the State Bar of California.

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7 COUNT ONE

8 Case No. 17-O-03217
9 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 3-500
[Failure to Keep Client Reasonably Informed]

10 2. Between on or about March 2015 and May 2015 respondent failed to keep her clients,
11 Walter Uriel Barron and Julie Cser Barron, reasonably informed about significant developments
12 relating to her representation in a matter which respondent had agreed to provide legal services
13 by failing to promptly comply with eight to ten reasonable requests for information and copies of
14 significant documents in willful violation of Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 3-500.

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16 COUNT TWO

17 Case No. 17-O-03217
18 Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-100(B)(3)
[Failure to Render Accounts of Client Funds]

19 3. Between on or about August 3, 2012 and July 23, 2013, respondent received on
20 behalf of respondent's clients, Walter Uriel Barron and Julie Cser Barron, the sum of \$15,000 as
21 fees for legal services to be performed. Respondent thereafter failed to render an appropriate
22 accounting to the clients regarding those funds upon the termination of respondent's employment
23 on or about May 26, 2015, in willful violation of the Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 4-
24 100(B)(3).

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NOTICE - INACTIVE ENROLLMENT!

YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT IF THE STATE BAR COURT FINDS, PURSUANT TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 6007(c), THAT YOUR CONDUCT POSES A SUBSTANTIAL THREAT OF HARM TO THE INTERESTS OF YOUR CLIENTS OR TO THE PUBLIC, YOU MAY BE INVOLUNTARILY ENROLLED AS AN INACTIVE MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR. YOUR INACTIVE ENROLLMENT WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO ANY DISCIPLINE RECOMMENDED BY THE COURT.

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NOTICE - COST ASSESSMENT!

IN THE EVENT THESE PROCEDURES RESULT IN PUBLIC DISCIPLINE, YOU MAY BE SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF COSTS INCURRED BY THE STATE BAR IN THE INVESTIGATION, HEARING AND REVIEW OF THIS MATTER PURSUANT TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE SECTION 6086.10.

Respectfully submitted,

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL

15 DATED: December 20, 2018

By: 

Kristina B. Ramos
Deputy Trial Counsel

DECLARATION OF SERVICE

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CASE NUMBER(s): **17-O-03217**

I, the undersigned, am over the age of eighteen (18) years and not a party to the within action, whose business address and place of employment is the State Bar of California, 845 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, California 90017-2515, declare that:

- on the date shown below, I caused to be served a true copy of the within document described as follows:

NOTICE OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES

- By U.S. First-Class Mail: (CCP §§ 1013 and 1013(a))**
- in accordance with the practice of the State Bar of California for collection and processing of mail, I deposited or placed for collection and mailing in the City and County of Los Angeles.
- By U.S. Certified Mail: (CCP §§ 1013 and 1013(a))**
- I am readily familiar with the State Bar of California's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for overnight delivery by the United Parcel Service ('UPS').
- By Overnight Delivery: (CCP §§ 1013(c) and 1013(d))**
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- By Fax Transmission: (CCP §§ 1013(e) and 1013(f))**
Based on agreement of the parties to accept service by fax transmission, I faxed the documents to the persons at the fax numbers listed herein below. No error was reported by the fax machine that I used. The original record of the fax transmission is retained on file and available upon request.
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Based on a court order or an agreement of the parties to accept service by electronic transmission, I caused the documents to be sent to the person(s) at the electronic addresses listed herein below. I did not receive, within a reasonable time after the transmission, any electronic message or other indication that the transmission was unsuccessful.

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Tracking No.: _____ addressed to: (see below)

Person Served	Business-Residential Address	Fax Number	COURTESY COPY VIA REGULAR 1 ST CLASS MAIL
Soheila Jonoubi	424 S. Beverly Dr. Beverly Hills, CA 90212	Electronic Address	

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I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on the date shown below.

DATED: December 21, 2018

SIGNED: _____

Sandra Reynolds
Declarant