



**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
APPOINTED BY
THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS**

**IN THE MATTER OF
ANTONIO REYES**

State Bar of Texas Card No. 24071139

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CAUSE NO. 54881

DEFAULT JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

On the 23rd day of October 2014, the above-styled and numbered disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner Commission for Lawyer Discipline appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent, Antonio Reyes, although duly cited to appear, failed to answer or appear and wholly defaulted. All questions of fact as well as all issues of law were submitted to the Board of Disciplinary Appeals for determination. Having considered the pleadings on file, having received evidence, and having heard the argument of counsel, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals is of the opinion that Petitioner is entitled to entry of the following findings and orders:

Findings of Fact. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals finds that:

- (1) Respondent, Antonio Reyes, State Bar of Texas Card Number 24071139, is licensed but not currently authorized to practice law in the State of Texas by the Supreme Court of Texas due to administrative suspension for failure to pay bar dues and occupational tax.
- (2) On or about November 6, 2013, Respondent, was charged by Indictment with Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud and the Deprivation of Honest Services, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1343, 1346 and 1349, in Case No. EP13CR2384, styled *United States of America, Plaintiff, v. Antonio Reyes, Defendant*, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, El Paso Division.
- (3) On or about June 26, 2014, a Judgment in a Criminal Case was entered in Case No. EP-13-CR-2384-KC, styled *United States of America v. Antonio*

Reyes, Defendant, in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, El Paso Division, wherein Respondent pled guilty to Conspiracy to Commit Wire Fraud and the Deprivation of Honest Services and was committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a term of thirty-three (33) months and ordered upon release from imprisonment to be on supervised release for a term of three (3) years. Respondent was further ordered to pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00 and an assessment of \$100.00.

- (4) Respondent, Antonio Reyes is the same person as the Antonio Reyes who is the subject of the Judgment described above.
- (5) Respondent was personally served with the Petition for Compulsory Discipline and Hearing Notice by a Fairmont County, Texas, Sheriff's Deputy on September 12, 2014, and the affidavit of service was filed with the Board on September 26, 2014.
- (6) Respondent did not appeal the criminal conviction.
- (7) Respondent's criminal sentence is not fully probated.

Conclusions of Law. Based upon the foregoing findings of fact the Board of Disciplinary

Appeals makes the following conclusions of law:

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. Tex. R. Disciplinary P. 7.08(G) ("TRDP").
- (2) Respondent, Antonio Reyes, has been convicted for purposes of TRDP 8.04 of an Intentional Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(T) as well as a Serious Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(Z).
- (3) The conviction is final.
- (4) Respondent, Antonio Reyes, therefore, should be disbarred. TRDP 8.05.

It is, accordingly, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED** that Respondent, Antonio Reyes, State Bar Card No. 24071139, be and he is hereby **DISBARRED** from the practice of law in the State of Texas and his license to practice law in this state be, and is hereby, revoked.

It is further **ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED** that Respondent, Antonio

Reyes, is hereafter permanently prohibited, effective immediately, from practicing law in Texas, holding himself out as an attorney at law, performing any legal service for others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any Texas administrative body, or holding himself out to others or using his name, in any manner, in conjunction with the words “attorney,” “counselor,” or “lawyer.”

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, Antonio Reyes, shall notify in writing, no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each and every court in which Respondent, Antonio Reyes, has any legal matter pending, if any, of his disbarment, of the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and of the name, address, and telephone number of the client(s) Respondent is representing in that court. Respondent is also **ORDERED** to mail copies of all such notifications to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, Antonio Reyes, shall immediately notify each of his current clients and opposing counsel, if any, in writing, of his disbarment. In addition to such notification, Respondent is **ORDERED** to return all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties which are in his possession but which belong to current or former clients, if any, to those respective clients or former clients within thirty (30) days after the date on which this Judgment is signed by the Board. Respondent is further **ORDERED** to file with Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, within the same thirty (30) days, an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been

notified of his disbarment and that all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties belonging to clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein. If Respondent should be unable to return any file, papers, money or other property to any client or former client, Respondent's affidavit shall state with particularity the efforts made by Respondent with respect to each particular client and the cause of his inability to return to said client any file, paper, money or other property. Respondent is also **ORDERED** to mail a copy of said affidavit and copies of all notification letters to clients, to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, Antonio Reyes, immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Signed this 24th day of October 2014.



CHAIR PRESIDING