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THE BOARD of DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
Appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas

CAUSE NO. 69455

IN THE MATTER OF § BEFORE THE
DERRICK DUANE CORNEJO §
(State Bar Card No. § BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
24048049) §
§ APPOINTED by the Supreme Crt. of TX.

RESPONDENT'S ORIGINAL ANSWER

Derrick Duane Cornejo, Respondent, files his Original Answer to Petitioner's Second Amended Petition for Reciprocal Discipline and would state as follows:

**I.
General Denial**

Respondent denies each and every, all and singular, the allegations contained in the Petitioner's Second Amended Petition for Reciprocal Discipline in the above styled cause and demands strict proof thereof.

**II
Affirmative Defenses**

Respondent invokes all of the Affirmative defenses contained in Rule 9.04 A-E, Part IX, Reciprocal Discipline, Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. Respondent intends to prove by clear and convincing evidence one or more of the defenses set out in Rule 9.04 A-E, *Tex. R. Dis. Proc.*

Prayer

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Respondent prays that Petitioner's request for disbarment contained in Petitioner's Second Amended Petition for Reciprocal Discipline by in all respects denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of Respondent's Original Answer has been served upon all interested counsel of record on this 27th day of December 2024 by electronic transmission.

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