



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

IN THE MATTER OF §
SHANE WILLIAM GORDON § **CAUSE NO. 61334**
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24040993 §

DEFAULT JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

On the 25th day of January 2019, the above-styled and numbered disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner Commission for Lawyer Discipline of the State Bar of Texas appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent, Shane William Gordon, although duly cited to appear and having notice of the hearing, failed to answer or appear and wholly made default. 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 finds that Petitioner is entitled to entry of the following findings and orders:

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

- (1) Respondent, Shane William Gordon, State Bar Card Number 24040993, is licensed and currently authorized to practice law in the State of Texas by the Supreme Court of Texas.
- (2) On or about October 25, 2017, Respondent was charged by Information with Count One – False Statement or Representation Made to a Department or Agency of the United States, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001(a)(2), in Cause No. 6:17CR40-02, styled *United States of America v. Shane Gordon (02)*, in the United States District Court for the Eastern

District of Texas, Tyler Division.

- (3) On or about October 4, 2018, a Judgment in a Criminal Case was imposed in Cause No. 6:17-CR-00040-002, styled *United States of America v. Shane Gordon*, in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Tyler Division, wherein Respondent pled guilty to Count One of the Information – False Statement or Representation made to a Department or Agency of the United States, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and was committed to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a total term of twenty-four (24) months. Upon release from imprisonment, Respondent shall be on supervised release for three (3) years. Respondent was further ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$440,000.00 and an assessment of \$100.00.
- (6) Respondent, Shane William Gordon, is the same person as the Shane Gordon who is the subject of the Judgment described above.
- (7) Respondent was personally served with the Petition and hearing notice on December 20, 2018, by a Bastrop County Deputy Sheriff, and the affidavit of service was filed with the Board on January 10, 2019.
- (8) Respondent's criminal sentence is not fully probated.
- (9) Respondent's criminal conviction is final.

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).
- (2) Respondent, Shane William Gordon, has been convicted for purposes of TRDP 8.04 of an Intentional Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(V). Said crime is also a Serious Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(GG).
- (3) Having been convicted of an Intentional Crime, which conviction is final, and having been sentenced to a term of imprisonment, Respondent, Shane William Gordon, should be disbarred. TRDP 8.05.

It is, accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Respondent, Shane William Gordon, State Bar Card No. 24040993, 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, Shane William Gordon, is prohibited from practicing law in Texas, holding himself out as an attorney at law, performing any legal services for others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any administrative body or holding himself out to others or using his name, in any manner, in conjunction with the words "attorney at law," "attorney," "counselor at law," or "lawyer."

It is further ORDERED Respondent shall immediately notify each of his current clients in writing of this disbarment. In addition to such notification, Respondent is ORDERED to return any files, papers, unearned monies and other property belonging to clients and former clients in the Respondent's possession to the respective clients or former clients or to another attorney at the client's or former client's request. Respondent is further ORDERED to file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor of the State Bar of Texas Chief Disciplinary Counsel's Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment by the Board, an affidavit stating that all current clients have been notified of Respondent's disbarment and that all files, papers, monies and other property belonging to all clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein.

It is further ORDERED Respondent shall, on or before thirty (30) days from the signing of this judgment by the Board, notify in writing each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer and chief justice of each and every court or tribunal in which Respondent has any matter pending of the terms of this judgment, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address and telephone number of the client(s)

Respondent is representing. Respondent is further ORDERED to file with the Statewide

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Compliance Monitor of the State Bar of Texas Chief Disciplinary Counsel's Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment by the Board, an affidavit stating that each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer and chief justice has received written notice of the terms of this judgment.

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Shane William Gordon, immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Statewide Compliance Monitor of 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.

It is further ORDERED that a certified copy of the Petition for Compulsory Discipline on file herein, along with a copy of this Judgment, be sent to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711.

Signed this 28 day of January 2019.



CHAIR PRESIDING