

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

IN THE MATTER OF	§	
GARY L. LASSEN	§	CAUSE NO. 51061
STATE BAR CARD NO. 11969500	§	

AGREED JUDGMENT OF SUSPENSION

On the 23rd day of October 2012, the above-styled and numbered reciprocal disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner appeared by attorney and Respondent appeared pro se as indicated by their respective signatures below and announced that they agree to the findings of fact, conclusions of law and orders set forth below. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals, having reviewed the file and in consideration of the agreement of the parties, 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, Gary L. Lassen, is an attorney who is licensed but not currently authorized to practice law in the State of Texas, and whose Bar Card No. is 11969500;
- (2) On or about March 20, 2012, a Final Judgment and Order was filed Before the Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona in a matter styled, *In the Matter of an Active Member of the State Bar of Arizona, Gary L. Lassen, Bar No. 005259*, Respondent, PDJ-2011-9079, No. 10-1508, suspending Respondent from the practice of law for thirty (30) days.

- (3) Respondent, Gary L. Lassen, is the same person as the Gary L. Lassen, who is the subject of the Final Judgment and Order entered by the Supreme Court of the Arizona; and
- (4) The suspension Final Judgment and Order from the Supreme Court of the Arizona is final.

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

Appeals makes the following conclusions of law:

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. Rule 7.08(H), Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure;
- (2) Reciprocal discipline identical to that imposed by the Supreme Court of Arizona is warranted in this case.

It is, accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Respondent, Gary L. Lassen, State Bar Card No. 11969500 is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law in Texas for a period of thirty (30) days beginning October 23, 2012, and ending November 22, 2012.

It is further ORDERED that during the term of active suspension ordered herein, Respondent shall be prohibited 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 or in any representative capacity 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, Gary L. Lassen, 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, Gary L. Lassen, has any

legal matter pending, if any, of his suspension, 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, Gary L. Lassen, shall immediately notify each of his current clients and opposing counsel, if any, in writing, of his suspension. 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 this Board, within the same thirty (30) days, an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been notified of his suspension 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 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, Gary L. Lassen, 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.

It is further ORDERED that a certified copy of the Petition for Reciprocal 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.

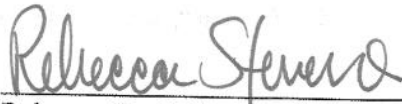
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that his Judgment of Suspension shall be made a matter of public record and be published in the Texas Bar Journal.

Signed this 18 day of October, 2012.

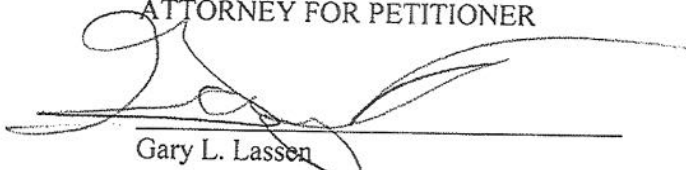


Chairman Presiding
Board of Disciplinary Appeals
Appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rebecca (Beth) Stevens
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER



Gary L. Lassen
RESPONDENT