

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

IN THE MATTER OF
JESSICA S. SIEGEL
STATE BAR NO. 24013509

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§ Cause No. 68197
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Oct 20 2023

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

RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Respondent, Jessica S. Siegel, presents her Motion for Continuance pursuant to BODA Procedural Rules, and in support would show the following:

(1) The hearing on Petitioner Commission for Lawyer Discipline's Petition for Compulsory Discipline was initially set to take place on October 27, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Respondent was served with this Petition and Notice of Hearing on September 18, 2023.

(2) Respondent is currently *pro se* but will retain counsel to represent her in this matter.

(3) Respondent's Acknowledgment of Hearing form was filed with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals on October 13, 2023, stating that she would be seeking a continuance of this matter.

(4) On or about September 18, 2023, Respondent became ill, and consulted with her physician on September 21, 2023 for diagnosis and treatment. Respondent's condition required her to take medical leave for approximately two (2) weeks, and Respondent returned to work on October 9, 2023.

(5) On October 10, 2020, Respondent's infant grandniece was found unresponsive after her nap at a daycare facility in Iowa. The next day, life support was discontinued, and the infant passed away on October 11, 2023.

(6) Respondent took bereavement leave until October 13, 2023, which was the day of the funeral. Respondent returned to the office on October 16, 2023.

(7) Respondent respectfully requests that the hearing be extended for a period of ninety (90) days to allow Respondent to retain counsel and prepare for the hearing.

(8) This motion is not sought for purposes of delay, but so that justice may be done.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Respondent prays that this cause be continued to a later date, and for such other and further relief to which she may be entitled.

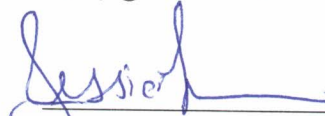
Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Respondent's Motion for Continuance has been served on Assistant Disciplinary Counsel, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas via electronic mail at jdeberry@texasbar.com on October 20, 2023.



Jessica S. Siegel
Pro Se Respondent