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Cc: Mr. Robert S. Bennett

Re: Robert S. Bennett disciplinary proceeding and disbarment

Dear Ms. Acevedo and Mr. DuBois,

I am writing to you regarding the disbarment of Mr. Robert S. Bennett and the currently pending appeal thereof. I have been a practicing lawyer in the State of Texas since 2009 and have been acquainted with Mr. Bennett for approximately six years, since before I became licensed to practice law. In all of my dealings with Mr. Bennett, I have never known him to be anything but honest, fair, and ethical. In light of this, I was extremely surprised to learn that he was disbarred as the result of a disciplinary proceeding.

I have reviewed some of the materials from the disciplinary proceeding which have been posted online, and there are several significant questions about the proceeding that stick out in my mind:

- 1) How is it that a judge who was unfamiliar with these types of proceedings ended up presiding over this matter?
- 2) Why did that judge go leaps and bounds above the Prosecutor's recommended punishment to impose the harshest sentence possible in a matter involving an appeal over a fee dispute with a client?
- 3) Most importantly, why is our State Bar allowing this result to stand? How is disbaring an attorney with a long and distinguished track record of success and service and no previous disciplinary history consistent with the Bar's stated mission of upholding and

improving the integrity and ethical standards of our profession, especially in light of the alleged violation and the Prosecutor's recommended punishment?

In writing this letter, it is my hope that the State Bar will take a closer look at the result reached in this proceeding and work with Mr. Bennett in good faith to rectify this matter and reach an appropriate outcome that is just and fair.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you very much for taking the time to consider my thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leonid Kishinevsky

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