

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

IN THE MATTER OF
DAVID ALLAN KRUEGER

\$ CAUSE NO. 65866 \$

STATE BAR CARD NO. 24025940

<u>PETITIONER'S REPLY TO RESPONDENT'S RESPONSE TO</u> <u>PETITION FOR COMPULSORY DISCIPLINE</u>

TO THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS:

Petitioner, the Commission for Lawyer Discipline (hereinafter called "Petitioner"), files this Response to Respondent's, David Allan Krueger, (hereinafter called "Respondent") Response to Petition for Compulsory Discipline wherein Respondent requests a continuance, showing as follows:

I. BACKGROUND

Petitioner is the Commission for Lawyer Discipline, a committee of the State Bar of Texas. Respondent is David Allan Krueger, State Bar No. 24025940. Petitioner filed its Petition for compulsory Discipline on September 9, 2021, asking this Board to disbar Respondent based on his conviction for Wire Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §1343. Respondent was served with the Petition for Compulsory Discipline on September 10, 2021, at El Reno Federal Correctional Institution, 4205 Hwy. 66 West, El Reno, Oklahoma by R. Kendrick, a Canadian County, Oklahoma Deputy. A hearing on Petitioner's Petition for Compulsory Discipline is currently scheduled for October 29, 2021. On October 19, 2021, Respondent filed his Response to Petition for Compulsory Discipline requesting a continuance.

II. ARGUMENT AND AUTHORITY

Technical Defects in Respondent's Motion

The Board should deny a motion for continuance when the motion is not verified or supported by an affidavit or when the affidavit is defective. *See* Tex. R. Civ. P. 251; *Villegas v. Carter*, 711 S.W.2d 624, 626 (Tex. 1986). Texas permits individuals to substitute an unsworn declaration for an affidavit required by statute. Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 132.001. Respondent's motion did not contain an affidavit or unsworn declaration. Therefore, Respondent's motion should be denied.

III. REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION

If the Board uses its discretion and grants Respondent's request for continuance, he should be ordered suspended from the practice of law pending a final decision by the Board. An Order of Suspension will protect both the public and the legal profession as well as allow Respondent the additional time he requested.

PRAYER

Petitioner asks the Board to deny Respondent's motion for continuance. In the alternative, if the Board grants Respondent's motion, Petitioner requests that the Board enter an order suspending Respondent from the practice of law until the Board makes a final decision in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument has been sent to Respondent, David Allan Krueger, via Email to <u>dkrueger@thekmfirm.com</u>, on this 20th day of October, 2021.

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ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S
MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE WITH SUSPENSION

On this day, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals ("BODA") considered Respondent's

Response to Petition for Compulsory Discipline requesting a continuance and Petitioner's Reply

to Respondent's Response opposing the continuance and asking that, in the event BODA grants a

continuance, Respondent be suspended pending a hearing on the merits.

Therefore, BODA GRANTS Respondent's continuance until further order of the Board.

The BODA clerk will reset this case on the next en banc hearings docket when that date is

determined and notify the parties.

It is therefore, **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, and **DECREED** that Respondent, David Allan

Krueger, State Bar Card No. 24025940, is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law in the

State of Texas effective immediately upon entry of this order and continuing hereafter until further

order of this Board.

It is further **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, and **DECREED** that Respondent, David Allan

Krueger, during said suspension is hereby prohibited, effective immediately, 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 not completed before the date of this

order, appearing as counsel in any proceeding in any Texas court of before any Texas

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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, David Allan Krueger, 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 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.

If is further **ORDERED** that Respondent 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

with active cases pending, if any, to those respective clients or former clients with active cases

pending within thirty (30) days after the date of this Order. Respondent is further **ORDERED** to

file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar

of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, within the same thirty (30) days,

an affidavit stating either (a) 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 with active cases pending have been returned as

ordered herein, or (b) that Respondent has no current clients, files, or papers, and that any unearned

fees paid in advance or other monies or properties belonging to clients have previously been

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returned to the appropriate client. If Respondent is unable to return any file, papers, money or

other property to any client or former client with active cases pending, 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. Resondent

is also **ORDERED** to mail a copy of all notification letters 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, David Allan Krueger, immediately surrender his

Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of

the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas

78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Signed this the ____ day of October 2021.

CHAIR PRESIDING BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS

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IN THE MATTER OF DAVID ALLAN KRUEGI STATE BAR CARD NO. 2		§ § §	CAUSE NO.	65866
ORDER DENYI	NG RESPOND	ENT'S	MOTION FO	R CONTINUANCE
After considering	Respondent's	Respons	e to Petition	for Compulsory Discipline
requesting a continuance	and Petitioner	's Reply	to Responde	ent's Response opposing the
continuance, the Board of D	isciplinary App	eals DE N	NIES Responde	ent's request for a continuance.
Signed this the	day of October	·, 2021.		
			CHAIR PRES	SIDING

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