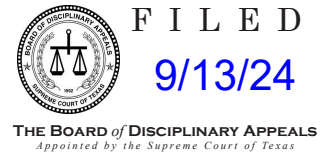


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Re: Commission for Lawyer Discipline vs. Arnold Lewis Levey no. 202005971-Evidentiary
Panel 10-3; San Antonio Office; BODA Number 66468

RESPONSE TO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Now comes the Appellant, Arnold Lewis Levey, and responds to the ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THE APPEAL SHOULD NOT BE DISMISSED FOR WANT OF PROSECUTION which was issued on August 14, 2024 by the Board. In support, Appellant shows:

1. Appellant has been seriously ill since he suffered a stroke on November 1, 2021. He was hospitalized and resided in a rehabilitation facility for approximately a month and later hospitalized for another week several months later due to pneumonia. Although he has made a substantial recovery afterwards he still suffers some disability that has affected his ability to respond to these proceedings. These facts have been known to the opposing attorney for the Board, Marie Haspil, who has chosen to not acknowledge these facts and has concealed this information in an attempt to bolster her case.
2. The Commission has knowledge that the trust that was established at the beginning of this case was in 1995 and the beneficiaries named in the trust agreement were no longer living and that any of their possible heirs appeared in almost all cases to be living outside of the state of Texas. No actions to name successor heirs were ever made by anyone possibly able to do so, such as a court. The trust agreement had no provision for the naming of successor beneficiaries.
3. At the time the Grievance Committee took its action, Appellant and the persons who had filed the grievance were in substantial agreement on making a settlement resolving all issues but were prevented from doing so because Marie Haspil prevented a resolution. While the Appellant believes he was legally correct in his belief that he owed nothing to these people he wanted to resolve this claim and this bar action, which has been detrimental to his health and recovery.
4. The failures of the Appellant to respond fully to this action have been due primarily to his health condition.

WHEREFORE, APPELLANT prays that this appeal not be dismissed and that he be granted more time to settle this case or pursue the appeal.

Signed this 13th day of September, 2024

/s/ Arnold L. Levey

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