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10 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT

12 In the Matter of the Assumption of
13 Jurisdiction Over the
14 Unauthorized Law Practice of

15 EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA
16 doing business as SERVICIO LATINO
17 LEGAL OFFICE, SLLSCO, INC.

) Case No.

BS170154

) ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
) AND INTERIM ORDERS ASSUMING
) JURISDICTION OVER THE
) UNAUTHORIZED LAW PRACTICE OF
) EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA dba SERVICIO
) LATINO LEGAL OFFICE, SLLSCO, INC.
) AND INTERIM INJUNCTION

) [Rules of Court, rules 3.1200 et seq.;
) Bus & Prof. Code §§ 6125, 6126(a), 6126.3, &
) 6030]

21 UPON CONSIDERATION of the Ex Parte Application of the State Bar of California
22 for an Order to Show Cause and Interim Orders assuming jurisdiction by the court over the
23 unauthorized law practice of Eddie Rivas Bonilla dba Servicio Latino Legal Office, SLLSCO,
24 Inc., and the supporting documents filed therewith, and good cause appearing,

25 THIS COURT FINDS that it is more likely than not that the State Bar's Petition and
26 Application for Assumption of Jurisdiction Over the Unauthorized Law Practice of Eddie Rivas

1 Bonilla dba Servicio Latino Legal Office, SLLSCO, Inc., will be granted and that a delay in
2 making the orders requested by the State Bar will result in substantial injury to clients or to
3 others.

4 Therefore, pending a hearing on the Order to Show Cause, this court hereby issues
5 interim orders to assume jurisdiction over the unauthorized law practice of Eddie Rivas Bonilla
6 dba Servicio Latino Legal Office, SLLSCO, Inc., pursuant to Business and Professions Code
7 section 6126.3., and further orders that Steven J. Moawad, Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar
8 of California, and his designees, be appointed to do the following:

- 9 (1) Examine, retrieve, remove, and secure in a protected area all files and records of
10 Bonilla's unauthorized practice of law, located at 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite
11 M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, or at any other site in California where reliable
12 evidence establishes that client files or records of the unauthorized law practice may be
13 stored, and obtain information as to any pending matters that may require attention. The
14 areas to be examined shall be as described in **Attachment A**. The items to be retrieved,
15 removed and secured in a protected area and examined shall be as described in
16 **Attachment B**;
- 17 (2) Notify persons and entities whom the State Bar reasonably believes to be Bonilla's
18 clients of the occurrence of the event or events stated in subdivision (a) of Section 6126,
19 and inform them that it may be in their best interest to obtain other legal counsel;
- 20 (3) Apply for an extension of time pending employment of legal counsel by the client, if
21 necessary for the protection of the client's interests;
- 22 (4) Give notice to the depositor and appropriate persons and entities who may be affected,
23 other than clients, of the occurrence of the event or events;
- 24 (5) Arrange for the surrender or delivery of clients' papers or property;
- 25 (6) Apply to the court for the appointment of a receiver, where applicable, to take possession
26 and control of any and all bank accounts relating to the affected person's practice;

1 (7) Do any other acts that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this
2 section, including but not limited to the following:

3 (i) Photograph and/or videotape the execution of this order as necessary to
4 document compliance with this court's order.

5 (ii) Make and retain electronic or hard copies of all data and information retrieved
6 in accordance with a court order.

7 (iii) Retain all client files retrieved from the unauthorized practice and distribute
8 those client files to the clients.

9 (iv) Freeze any and all bank accounts in the name of Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio
10 Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO, Inc., or any and all law-office-related bank
11 accounts maintained by Eddie Rivas Bonilla dba Servicio Latino Legal Office,
12 SLLSCO, Inc.

13 (v) Endorse any check received by the State Bar which is made payable to the
14 order Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO, Inc., or any and
15 all law-office-related bank accounts maintained by Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio
16 Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO, Inc. frozen pursuant to subparagraph (iv), above.

17 (vi) Direct the appropriate telephone company or companies to disconnect any and
18 all internet connections, telephone, telefax, DSL, and pager lines associated with
19 Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO, Inc., 1625 West
20 Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, (213) 427-1212,
21 and to refer all calls to a specific telephone line at the State Bar, which shall be
22 established to receive the calls.

23 (vii) File a change of address notification with the United States Postal Service
24 to forward all mail addressed to Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio Latino Legal Office, or
25 SLLSCO, Inc., 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California

90004, to the attention of Elizabeth Stine, State Bar of California, Office of Chief Trial Counsel, 845 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2515.

(viii) Open and examine all forwarded mail addressed to Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO, Inc.

MOREOVER,

- (8) Eddie Rivas Bonilla, or any other knowledgeable person found on the any of the premises of the unauthorized law practice, should be ordered or authorized to provide to the State Bar any and all passwords and/or protocols required to access the electronic data stored on any computer processing unit located at any of the premises of the unauthorized practice and/or removed from the unauthorized law practice pursuant to this order;
- (9) Eddie Rivas Bonilla, or any other person who is a signatory on any bank account frozen pursuant to subparagraph (iv), above, should be ordered or authorized to not withdraw any funds from any frozen account prior to the freeze order becoming effective.
- (10) Any and all financial institutions should be ordered or authorized to provide, forthwith at the time of service of a copy of this order, a true copy of signature cards, the account numbers, and the last available monthly statements of any and all accounts frozen pursuant to subparagraph (iv), above, and should be ordered or authorized to disclose to the State Bar the balance of the frozen account(s) at the time of service without further order or subpoena.
- (11) The appropriate telephone company or companies should be ordered or authorized to disconnect any and all telephone, telefax, and pager lines associated with the unauthorized law practice at 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, (213) 427-1212, and to refer all calls to a specific telephone line at the State Bar, which shall be established to receive the calls.
- (12) The owner, manager, or any custodian of the premises should be ordered or authorized to unlock the doors and provide access to the premises. If such owner, manager or

1 custodian cannot be located, any qualified locksmith should be ordered or authorized to
2 secure entry upon request of the State Bar using such devices or techniques as are
3 standard in the industry.

4 (13) Eddie Rivas Bonilla, and/or any person having possession of any files and/or records
5 associated with the unauthorized practice of law, including electronic data stored on
6 computer processing units or in any other form or format, irrespective of site, should be
7 ordered or authorized to maintain such files and records intact, without alteration or
8 change of location, and to turn over all such files and records to the State Bar.

9 (14) The United States Postal Service should be authorized to enter a change of address for
10 all mail addressed to Eddie Rivas Bonilla, Servicio Latino Legal Office, or SLLSCO,
11 Inc., 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, to the
12 attention of Elizabeth Stine, State Bar of California, Office of Chief Trial Counsel, 845 S.
13 Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017-2515.

14 (15) Eddie Rivas Bonilla dba Servicio Latino Legal Office, SLLSCO, Inc., 1625 West
15 Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, should be ordered to
16 immediately cease and desist from: (1) holding himself or themselves out as entitled to
17 practice law in California; (2) offering to perform or actually performing any act that
18 constitutes the unauthorized practice of law in violation of Business and Professions
19 Code section 6126(a); (3) entering into any oral or written contractual agreement with
20 any individual or business to provide any service the performance of which would
21 constitute the unauthorized practice of law; and (4) receiving any money or fees from any
22 individual or business for any service the performance of which would constitute the
23 unauthorized practice of law.

24 **IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED THAT:**

25 (16) Each and all defendants are enjoining and restrained from engaged in the unauthorized
26 practice of law pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6030.

1 (17) Eddie Rivas Bonilla is to appear and show cause on 7-26-17, 2017

2 at 9:30 a.m./p.m. in Department 86 of the Superior Court for the County of Los
3 Angeles located at 111 North Hill Street Los Angeles, California 90012, why this court
4 should not assume jurisdiction over Eddie Rivas Bonilla's unauthorized law practice
5 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6126.3, et seq., and issue orders as
6 requested in the Ex Parte Application filed by the State Bar of California herein.

7 (18) The State Bar of California shall serve upon Eddie Rivas Bonilla a copy of the Petition
8 and Verified Application, the supporting Declarations and exhibits thereto, Memorandum
9 of Points and Authorities filed therewith, the Ex Parte Application for Interim Orders,
10 and this Order to Show Cause and Interim Orders in accordance with Business and
11 Professions Code, section 6180.4, by 5 p.m. on 7-26-17, 2017.

12 (19) The State Bar of California shall file a proof of service with the court no later than
13 7-17-17, 2017.

14 (20) Any opposition papers by Eddie Rivas Bonilla shall be filed in Department 86 by
15 4:00 p.m. on 7-19-17, 2017 and shall be served on the State Bar by the
16 same date and time.

17 (21) Any reply papers by the State Bar of California shall be filed in Department 86
18 by 4:00 p.m. on 7-21-17, 2017 and shall be served on Eddie Rivas Bonilla
19 by the same date and time.

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21 Dated: JUL 06 2017

By: AMY D. HOGUE, JUDGE

22 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
23 County of Los Angeles
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Attachment A

The area examined shall be Eddie Bonilla dba Servicio Latino Legal Office, SLLSCO, Inc., unauthorized law practice located at 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite M-107, Los Angeles, California 90004, or at any other location in California where reliable evidence establishes that client files or records of the unauthorized law practice may be stored.

The examination area shall include all locked or unlocked rooms, attics, basements, file cabinets and other storage devices and areas and other parts therein and the surrounding grounds and any garages, storage areas, trash containers and outbuildings of any kind located thereon, under the care, control and/or custody of persons located at the law offices.

The examination shall also include any and all computers, and any other storage of electronic information, brief cases, satchels, backpacks, day planners or purses under the care, custody and/or control of persons located at the law offices.

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Attachment B

The items to be retrieved, secured, and examined shall include all client files and client records including, but not limited to, notes, memoranda, reports, correspondence, and other documents pertaining to legal or investigative service sought or provided, compensation sought or obtained for clients, and disbursement of client funds.

The items to be retrieved, secured and examined shall include all law office records, including, but not limited to, office memoranda, ledgers, journals, financial statements, checking and savings account records, bank statements, cancelled and uncanceled checks, cash, check ledgers, check registers, bank signature cards, bank books, deposits, withdrawals, legal files, and bank or other financial records, evidencing the obtaining, secreting, transferring, or concealing of assets.

The items to be retrieved, secured, and examined shall include any of the above-described evidence whether printed, hand-produced, or recorded photographically, electronically, mechanically, or by any other means. Where a file or record is maintained in a mechanical device such as cellular phone, fax machine, computer, video or audio apparatus, magnetic tapes, flash drive, discs (floppy, mini, CD, laser, flash drive, and hard drive), such apparatus in its entirety including complete hardware, supporting software for data retrieval, and material describing operation of the apparatus shall be retrieved, removed, and secured.

Where records and files are stored or maintained in a file cabinet or similar unit, the file cabinet or unit may be retrieved, removed, and stored with the records and files intact.

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