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DISCIPLINARY BOARD

BEFORE THE
DISCIPLINARY BOARD
OF THE
WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

In re

JOHN G. GISSBERG,
Lawyer (Bar No. 19677).

Proceeding No. 13#00003

REPRIMAND

Under the Rules for Enforcement of Lawyer Conduct promulgated by the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, you have been directed to receive this FORMAL REPRIMAND.

You signed a Personal Services Contract for a convicted felon to serve as an independent contractor providing services to your clients. You introduced the contractor to a client. You and others provided funds to the contractor to obtain evidence to advance the client's case. The contractor failed to provide the evidence.

Your conduct in failing to take adequate steps to ensure that the contractor's conduct complied with the RPC violated RPC 5.3 (Responsibilities Regarding Nonlawyer Assistants).

These actions merit a Formal Reprimand. Your actions discredit you and the legal profession and show a disregard for the high traditions of honor expected from a member of the

1 Association.

2 NOW, THEREFORE, YOU ARE HEREBY REPRIMANDED by the Washington State
3 Bar Association for this misconduct. This Reprimand will be made a part of your permanent
4 record with the Association, and will be considered along with other evidence regarding any
5 future grievances against you.

6 Your privilege to practice law in the State of Washington is based on the finding that
7 you are a person of good moral character, and on your commitment to abide by the rules
8 governing the conduct of members of the Association. The Association expects all your future
9 conduct as a lawyer to be consistent with that finding as to your character, and with a continuing
10 commitment on your part to the letter and spirit of those rules.

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12 Dated this 22nd day of May, 2013.

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14 WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

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16 Michele Radosevich, President

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18 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

19 I certify that I caused a copy of the Reprimand
20 to be delivered to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel and to be mailed
to John Gussberg ~~Respondent~~ / Respondent's Counsel
at 7155. Lane St #10 Seattle WA 98104, by ~~Certified~~ / first class mail
21 postage prepaid on the 22nd day of May, 2013

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23 Clerk/Counsel to the Disciplinary Board

Memorandum

To: Allison Sato, Clerk to Disciplinary Board
From: Linda B. Eide, Disciplinary Counsel
Date: May 23, 2013
Re: Service of Reprimand on John G. Gissberg

I am attaching an original reprimand for service on John G. Gissberg. I have filed the duplicate original in the public file.

Thank you.