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1 Case No. 07-032-1245

2 STATE BAR OF NEVADA

3 SOUTHERN NEVADA DISCIPLINARY BOARD

JAN 31 2008

Jason Garner
STATE BAR OF NEVADA

4 STATE BAR OF NEVADA,)
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 5 Complainant,)
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 6 vs.)
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 7 JOSEPH D. BUNIN, ESQ.,)
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 8 Respondent.)
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10 PUBLIC REPRIMAND

11 TO: JOSEPH D. BUNIN, ESQ.

12 Jason Garner (hereafter "Garner") retained you in or about October 2004 in a personal
13 injury and/or workman's compensation matter stemming from an incident earlier that year in
14 Clark County, Nevada.

15 After receiving Garner's grievance in January 2007, the State Bar initially sent three
16 (3) certified letters with return receipt requested (dated January 10, January 30, and
17 February 22, 2007, with signed receipts returned to the Office of Bar Counsel) to you
18 requesting your written response to Garner's grievance. The February 22, 2007,
19 correspondence warned you that if you did not provide a response, this matter would be
20 presented to a screening panel of the Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board with the
21 assumption that Garner's allegations were true.

22 Although you provided a partial response to the State Bar in a letter dated March 9,
23 2007, you did not address some issues in connection with Garner's grievance. Accordingly,
24 on April 17, 2007, the State Bar sent you a letter asking you to provide information regarding
25 those issues by May 1, 2007.

Effective Date: January 31, 2008
Bar Number: 5594

1 On or about April 30, 2007, you sent to the Office of Bar Counsel a facsimile
2 requesting an extension of time to provide a response. You received an extension until May
3 16, 2007.

4 However, you neither corresponded further with the State Bar nor provided a
5 response to the State Bar's letter of April 17, 2007.

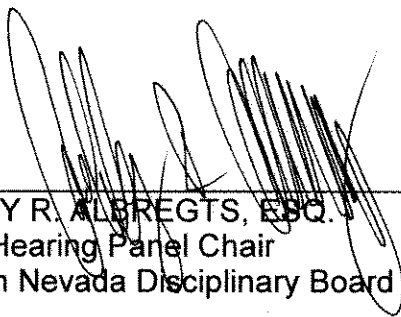
6 When the instant grievance was presented on June 5, 2007, to a Screening Panel of
7 the Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board, you still had not provided a substantive response to
8 the State Bar's letter of April 17, 2007.

9 In mitigation, you ultimately cooperated with the State Bar and accepted responsibility
10 for not responding in a timely manner to the Office of Bar Counsel.

11 In light of the foregoing, you violated and Rule of Professional Conduct 8.1(b) (Bar
12 Admission and Disciplinary Matters) and are hereby PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED.

13 Dated this 31 day of January, 2008.

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JEFFREY R. ALBRECHTS, ESQ.
Formal Hearing Panel Chair
Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board