SUPREME COURT, STATE OF COLORADO TWO EAST 14^{TH} AVENUE DENVER, COLORADO 80203

CASE NO. 05SA67

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING IN UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW, 04UPL28

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Petitioner:

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO,

REGULATION COUNSEL

v.

Respondent:

LANCE A. GOETZ, a/k/a L.A. GOETZ, III

ORDER OF COURT

Upon consideration of the Report Re: Unauthorized Practice of Law Pursuant to C.R.C.P. 234 and 235 filed in the above cause, and now being sufficiently advised in the premises,

IT IS THIS DAY ORDERED that the Recommendations of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge shall be, and the same hereby are, APPROVED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent is ENJOINED from the Unauthorized Practice of Law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent pay the costs and expenses of these proceedings in the amount of \$243.00

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent refund any and all fees paid by clients to Respondent, including a refund in the amount of \$409.00 to Robin J. Paige.

BY THE COURT, JANUARY 6, 2006.

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Hon. William Lucero Presiding Disciplinary Judge

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Case Number: **05SA067**

Complainant:

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO,

Respondent:

LANCE A. GOETZ, a/k/a L.A. GOETZ, III.

REPORT RE: UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW PURSUANT TO C.R.C.P 234 AND 235

This matter is before the Presiding Disciplinary Judge ("PDJ") on Petitioner's Motion for Default filed by April M. Seekamp, Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel ("the People"), on October 4, 2005. Lance A. Goetz ("Respondent") did not file a response. The PDJ **FINDS** the following:

- 1. On June 4, 2005, the People accomplished personal service of the Petition for Injunction and Order to Show Cause on Respondent in this matter by serving him by certified mail. On June 28, 2005, the People filed a Proof of Service with the Supreme Court.
- 2. On July 14, 2005, the Colorado Supreme Court ("Supreme Court") appointed the PDJ to act as Hearing Master pursuant to C.R.C.P. 234(f) in this unauthorized practice of law case. The Supreme Court appointed the PDJ as Hearing Master to conduct any necessary proceedings and make any necessary findings and recommendations.
- 3. On July 19, 2005, the PDJ ordered the People to set this matter for a Status Conference within fifteen days. The PDJ ordered the parties to appear in-person, absent leave of the court.
- 4. On July 21, 2005, the People filed a Notice to Set Status Conference by Telephone for August 2, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., and mailed it to Respondent. On August 3, 2005, the People filed a Confirmation of Status Conference for August 16, 2005, at 2:00 p.m., and mailed it to Respondent.

- 5. On August 16, 2005, the PDJ held the Status Conference. The People appeared, but Respondent did not. The People informed the PDJ of Respondent's failure to participate at any stage in these proceedings. Respondent failed to file a response to the Show Cause Order issued by the Supreme Court on June 4, 2005, and failed to appear at the Status Conference. The People stated their intention to file a Motion for Default, thus the PDJ did not set any further dates and terminated the remainder of the Status Conference.
- 6. In their Motion for Default, the People enumerated their extensive efforts to locate and contact Respondent. An investigator for the People conducted an Accurint database search and a search of the Colorado State Judicial Department's ICON system. This investigator also made personal contact with Respondent in an Adams District Court courtroom.
- 7. The People's petition sets forth the factual allegations concerning Respondent's conduct, and sets forth with particularity the grounds for injunctive and other relief pursuant to C.R.C.P. 234(b). The People's Motion for Default contains a supporting affidavit pursuant to C.R.C.P. 121 §1-14.
- 8. C.R.CP. 234(d) provides that if no response or defense is filed within the time permitted, the Supreme Court, upon its motion or upon motion of any party, shall decide the case, granting such relief and issuing such other orders as may be appropriate.

Based upon the PDJ's findings, the PDJ **RECOMMENDS** that the Supreme Court:

- 1. Enter a default judgment against Respondent for his failure to answer or otherwise respond to the People's petition, and for his failure to participate in proceedings before the PDJ;
- 2. Enter an order enjoining Respondent from the unauthorized practice of law;
- 3. Order Respondent to pay the costs and expenses of these proceedings in the amount of \$243.00; and
- 4. Order Respondent to refund any and all fees paid by clients to Respondent, including a refund in the amount of \$409.00 to Robin J. Paige.

DATED THIS 29TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2005.

WILLIAM R. LUCERO

PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

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