SUPREME COURT, STATE OF COLORADO TWO EAST 14<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE DENVER, COLORADO 80203

CASE NO. 03SA303

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING IN UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

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Petitioner:

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO,

REGULATION COUNSEL

v.

Respondent:

JACK HARPIN.

ORDER OF COURT

Upon consideration of the Report of the Presiding

Disciplinary Judge, together with the Stipulation, Agreement and

Affidavit Consenting to an Order of Injunction, and now being

sufficiently advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED that the Respondent is ENJOINED from the unauthorized practice of law, and shall pay the costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$91.00 within thirty days.

BY THE COURT, JUNE 11, 2004.



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James Coyle Deputy Regulation Counsel

Hon. William Lucero Presiding Disciplinary Judge

Jack Harpin P.O. Box 326 Jamestown, CO 80454

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## REPORT PURSUANT TO C.R.C.P. 236(a)

By Order dated January 21, 2004, this matter was remanded to the Presiding Disciplinary Judge ("PDJ") by the Colorado Supreme Court for determination of facts and recommendations on whether the Respondent has engaged in the unauthorized practice of law, should be enjoined, together with findings of costs, expenses, attorney fees and restitution.

On May 11, 2004, James C. Coyle, Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel and Jack Harpin, Respondent, filed a Stipulation, Agreement and Affidavit Consenting to an Order of Injunction, attached as Exhibit 1. The Stipulation acknowledges that the Respondent engaged in the unauthorized practice of law "[b]y answering and defending a district court lawsuit on behalf of other individuals who cannot assign their liability or defense." After being made aware that his pleading in this matter was inappropriate, Respondent took corrective measures and hired an attorney who filed an amended answer.

Accordingly, the PDJ recommends that the Supreme Court grant the Stipulation, Agreement and Affidavit Consenting to an Order enjoining the Respondent from the unauthorized practice of law and ordering Respondent to pay costs in the sum of \$91.00.

DATED THIS 7TH DAY OF JUNE, 2004.

WILLIAM R. LUCERÓ

PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

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James C. Coyle Via Hand Delivery

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1. The respondent's business address is P.O. Box 326, Jamestown, Colorado 80454. The respondent is not licensed to practice law in the State of Colorado.

# Exhibit 1

- 2. The respondent enters into this stipulation freely and voluntarily. No promises have been made concerning future consideration, punishment, or lenience in the above-referenced matter. It is the respondent's personal decision, and the respondent affirms there has been no coercion or other intimidating acts by any person or agency concerning this matter.
- 3. The respondent is familiar with the rules of the Colorado Supreme Court regarding the unauthorized practice of law. The respondent acknowledges the right to a full and complete evidentiary hearing on the above-referenced petition for injunction. At any such hearing, the respondent would have the right to be represented by counsel, present evidence, call witnesses, and cross-examine the witnesses presented by the petitioner. At any such formal hearing, the petitioner would have the burden of proof and would be required to prove the charges contained in the petition for injunction. Nonetheless, having full knowledge of the right to such a formal hearing, the respondent waives that right.
- 4. The respondent and the petitioner stipulate to the following facts and conclusions:
  - a. The respondent was a defendant to a lawsuit, along with several other defendants. The respondent filed a responsive pleading not only on behalf of himself, but also as "assignee" of some of the other defendants.
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5. Pursuant to C.R.C.P. 251.32, the respondent agrees to pay the costs and administrative costs in the sum of \$91.00 incurred in conjunction with this matter within thirty (30) days after the acceptance of the stipulation by the Colorado Supreme Court.

# RECOMMENDATION FOR AND CONSENT TO ORDER OF INJUNCTION

Based on the foregoing, the parties hereto recommend that an order be entered enjoining the respondent from the unauthorized practice of law, and requiring that the respondent pay costs in the amount of \$91.00.

Jack Harpin the respondent, and the petitioner's attorney, James C. Coyle, acknowledge by signing this document that they have read and reviewed the above.

Jack Harpin Respondent P.O. Box 326

Jamestown, CO 80455

Phone Number: (303) 449-2224

STATE OF COLORADO ) ss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>5</u> day of <del>November</del>, <del>200</del>3, by Jack Harpin, respondent.

Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 3-8-05

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Notary Public

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