

THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

Pickaway County Bar Association Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee

Case No. UPL 12-04

Realtor,

Vs.

Arthur Long

Respondent.

pondent. ********* <u>Settlement Agreement of Realtor & Respondent</u> Pursuant to Rule 7 Section 5b of the Rules for the

<u>Government of the Bar of Ohio</u>

Realtor filed a former complaint against Respondent Arthur Long with the Board of

Commissioners on the unauthorized practice of law of the Supreme Court of Ohio ("Board") on July 14,

2012. Respondent filed an Answer to the Complaint on July 3, 2012. Realtor and Respondent now enter

into the Settlement Agreement pursuant to Gov. R. VII Section 5b.

I. Agreed Facts

1. Respondent Arthur Long is not an attorney. Nor has he ever been licensed to practice law in any state.

2. Respondent assisted a friend of his in the preparation of legal documents in response to a divorce filing in 2012, styled <u>Michelle Green v. Kevin Green</u>, Pickaway County, Ohio Common Pleas, Case No. 2012 DV 0022.

3. Kevin Green has difficulty reading and writing.

4. Respondent did not charge nor receive any fee for helping his friend prepare responses and file legal documents in Mr. Green's divorce case. Respondent attempted to help Mr. Green obtain help from Legal Aid, but was denied because they represented Mr. Green's wife.

FILED BOARD ON THE SEP 2 6 2012 UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW 5. Respondent was not aware that he was participating in the unauthorized practice of law in Ohio by providing assistance to his friend with his legal documents in the divorce matter.

6. Any unauthorized practice of law in Ohio by Respondent was purely inadvertent and unintentional.

II. Agreed Resolution

As set forth in Gov. Bar R. VII Section 5b(C):

- A. Respondent admits that he inadvertently engaged in the unauthorized practice of law as set forth in the "agreed facts" section of this agreement and thereby, admits the material allegations of the unauthorized practice of law as set forth in the Realtor's formal Complaint;
- B. The public is protected from future harm and any substantial injury is remedied by this agreement;
- C. Respondent agrees to cease and desist from engaging in the unauthorized practice of law;
- D. This settlement agreement resolves the material allegations of the unauthorized practice of law;
- E. This settlement agreement does not involve any public policy issues or encroached upon the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court to regulate the practice of law;
- F. Respondent did not receive any fees or remuneration for any work performed by Respondent;
- G. The parties agree that a civil penalty will not be imposed in this case; and
- H. This settlement agreement furthers the stated purposes of Gov. Bar R. VII.

ARTHUR LONG Respondent

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