

## BEFORE THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED COURT REPORTERS

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF  
CERTIFIED COURT REPORTERS,

Case No. NV02-2018

Petitioner,

vs.

**FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS  
OF LAW, AND ORDER**HUMBERTO RODRIGUEZ;  
SOS LITIGATION SERVICES, LLC, dba  
LAWYER SOLUTIONS GROUP, License  
#049F.

Respondents.

This complaint came before the Nevada State Board of Certified Court Reporters ("Board") on January 28, 2019, with Board members Heidi Konsten, Lori Judd, and Peggy Elias present. Providing legal counsel for the Board was Sophia Long, Deputy Attorney General. The Executive Secretary was represented by counsel, Asheesh S. Bhalla, Deputy Attorney General. At the time of the hearing RESPONDENTS, "SOS Litigation Services, LLC dba Lawyers Solution Group" owned and operated by Humberto Rodriguez, License # 049F appeared before the Board.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Based on testimony and exhibits admitted at the hearing, the Board found that the notice of Hearing had been sent by regular and certified mail to RESPONDENTS last known address on file with the Board, which is sufficient legal service pursuant to NAC 656.440(3).

2. The Board Proceeded to hear and decide the matter based on the Board's finding that RESPONDENTS were provided proper notice of the complaint pursuant to NAC 656.440(3).

3. RESPONDENTS ("SOS Litigation Services, LLC dba Lawyers Solution Group" owned and operated by Humberto Rodriguez"), were at the relevant times

1 mentioned in this Complaint and Notice of Hearing, licensed by the Board as an owner  
2 and operator of a certified court reporting firm subject to the jurisdiction of the Board  
3 and the provision of NRS Chapter 656 and NAC Chapter 656.

4 4. On or about May 1, 2018 RESPONDENTS received a renewed court  
5 reporting firm license from the State of Nevada.

6 5. On or about April 16, 2015 "Thompson Court Reporters, Inc." invoiced  
7 RESPONDENT Humberto Rodriguez for a court reporting firm engagement that was  
8 completed on March 25, 2015.

9 6. On or about May 4, 2015 "Thompson Court Reporters, Inc." invoiced  
10 RESPONDENT Humberto Rodriguez for a court reporting firm engagement that was  
11 completed on April 16, 2015.

12 7. To date, Thompson Court Reporters, Inc. has not received any payment for  
13 the court reporting firm engagements on March 25, 2015 and April 16, 2015.

14 8. On or about February 16, 2017 "Tempest Reporting" invoiced  
15 RESPONDENT Humberto Rodriguez for a court reporting firm engagement completed  
16 on February 9, 2017.

17 9. To date, "Tempest Reporting" has not received any payment for the  
18 certified court reporting firm engagement on February 9, 2017.

#### 20 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

21 The Board, based upon the preponderance of the evidence, makes the following legal  
22 conclusions:

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24 1. RESPONDENTS are subject to discipline before the Board pursuant to  
25 NRS 656.250(10)a for failing to make payment to the court reporting firm retained for  
26 services by RESPONDENTS on March 25, 2015 and April 16, 2015.  
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1           2. RESPONDENTS are subject to discipline before the Board pursuant to MRS  
2   656.250(10)a for failing to make payment to the court reporting firms retained for  
3   services by RESPONDENTS on February 9, 2017.

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6       ORDER

7       IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, by decision of the Board as follows:

8           1.     RESPONDENTS, "SOS Litigation Services, LLC dba Lawyers Solution  
9   Group" owned and operated by Humberto Rodriguez, License # 049F, is assessed a fine of  
10   One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for each violation referenced above, a total amount of Two  
11   Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) and this fine must be paid within three hundred and sixty-five  
12   (365) days from the date of this Order. If the RESPONDENTS satisfy the outstanding  
13   invoices, then the Board authorizes a waiver of the assessed fines.

14          2.     RESPONDENTS shall reimburse the Board for its costs and fees associated  
15   with this proceeding in an amount of Six Hundred Eighty Dollars and Eighty Two Cents  
16   (\$680.82). An exact tally of the Board's costs will be sent to Respondent by mail within  
17   thirty (30) days from the date of this Order. These costs must be paid within three  
18   hundred and sixty-five (365) days from the date of this Order. Failure to timely pay the  
19   total fine and costs shall be construed as an event of default by RESPONDENTS;

20          3.     RESPONDENTS' license to operate a certified court reporting firm shall be  
21   suspended until the full assessed fines and costs are satisfied per paragraphs 1 and 2.  
22   Further, RESPONDENTS' license shall be placed on probationary status for one calendar  
23   year following the full satisfaction of the assessed fines and costs. RESPONDENTS shall  
24   appear before the Board for a hearing prior to reinstatement of the suspended license;

25          4.     The Board may institute collection and recovery actions against  
26   RESPONDENTS if RESPONDENTS fail to pay the costs and/or fines assessed above within  
27   the time given for payment.  
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1 This Order shall become effective on the 4 day of February, 2019.

2 DATED this 4th day of February 2019.

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5 NEVADA STATE BOARD OF  
6 CERTIFIED COURT REPORTERS

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