

**BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD
OF THE
ILLINOIS ATTORNEY REGISTRATION
AND
DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION**

**IN RE THE MATTER OF
MARCEL ELIA YONAN**

ATTORNEY-RESPONDENT
NO. 0206071

No. 2024 PR00081

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

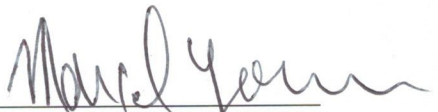
Now comes ATTORNEY-RESPONDENT, MARCEL YONAN, and ANSWERS as follows:

1. Admits the allegation contained in par 1 of the Complaint.
2. Admits that Respondent was at home and denies that Respondent argued with his ex-wife. In fact, Respondent initially verbally confronted his ex-wife who was standing at Respondent’s property line on the sidewalk and warned her not to trespass onto his property and that a video of the incident was not provided through discovery by the ASA as required. Respondent then re-entered his house and locked the door. The ex-wife trespassed on Respondents property by walking 17 yards into Respondent’s property and banging oh his main glass doors, at

which time a confrontation ensued as Respondent tried to evict his ex-wife from his property.

3. Respondent admits the allegations contained in par 3 of the Complaint and affirmatively states the police officers failed to interview Respondent before filing their complaint.
4. Admits the allegations contained in par 4 of the Complaint.
5. Admits the allegations contained in par 5 of the Complaint.
6. Admits the allegations contained in par 6 of the Complaint.
7. Admits the allegations contained in par 7 of the Complaint
8. Neither admits nor denies the allegations contained in pa 8 of the Complaint as it states a legal conclusion.
9. Furthermore, Respondent states as follows:
10. That Respondent categorically refused to have any contacts with his ex-wife since January 1, 2019 despite the ex-wife's attempts to communicate with Respondent..
11. That the ex-wife was a serial stalker who continuously harassed Respondent by monitoring his whereabouts and that of Respondent's girlfriend. Such conduct involved the purchase of electronic equipment to place in Respondent's car, hiring a private investigator to take photos of Respondent and his girlfriend in Salt Lake City, Utah and paying off people at a coffee shop to inform her about Respondent's movements and finally by conducting electronic searches to stalk my girlfriend at various addresses.
12. That on two separate occasions, the ex-wife physically pushed Respondent in fits of jealousy after discovering Respondent in the company of his girlfriend.

13. That the ex-wife criminal trespass onto Respondent's property after 9pm was threatening to Respondent's well being.
14. That Respondent has practiced law in the State of Illinois in accordance with the rules of conduct established by the Illinois Supreme Court without any blemishes or stains.
15. That Attorney-Respondent will be traveling to California, Australia, New Zealand and Singapore between March 8, 2025 and May 8, 2025.
16. Wherefore, Attorney-Respondent respectfully requests as follows:
 - A. That a date for a hearing be continued until Attorney-Respondent is back from his vacation and the dismissal of the Complaint considering the egregious conduct of the ex-wife.
 - B. For such other and further relief as this Hearing Boardl deems proper and just.


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