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

In the Matter of:	)
McStephen Olusegun Adewale Solomon	)
Attorney-Respondent	) Commission No. 2021PR00012
No. 6310211	) ) )

#### NOTICE OF FILING ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

To: Matthew D. Lango

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Please take notice that on March 16, 2021, I filed with the Clerk of the Commission, via the Odyssey eFile System, my *Answer* to Complaint, a true and correct copy of which is hereby served upon you.

1s/ McStephen Solomon

### **CERTIFICATION AND PROOF OF SERVICE BY E-MAIL**

I, McStephen O. A. Solomon, attorney-respondent, pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, hereby certify that I served this notice and the document identified above via regular e-mail, and via Odyssey e-serve, to the party and address identified above on March 16, 2021, at or before 11:59pm

/s/ McStephen Solomon

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## **RESPONSE TO COMPLAINT**

McStephen Olusegun Adewale Solomon, Attorney-Respondent, pro se, pursuant to Commission Rules 231 and 233, hereby responds to the Commission's Complaint as follows:

### **RE: COUNT I**

- 1. Admit paragraph 1
- 2. Admit paragraph 2
- 3. Admit paragraph 3
- 4. Admit paragraph 4
- 5. Admit paragraph 5
- 6. Admit paragraph 6
- 7. Admit paragraph 7; except that Attorney-Respondent discovered the facts alleged in par. 6 *after* filing his appearance and said affirmative defense as alleged in par. 7.
- 8. Admit paragraph 8

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- 9. **Deny** paragraph 9
- 10. Admit paragraph 10
- 11. Admit part of paragraph 11; and Deny the last sentence alleging that Attorney-Respondent did not inform Raices.
- 12. Admit paragraph 12
- 13. Admit paragraph 13
- 14. Admit paragraph 14, and further states that Attorney-Respondent did not get notice of the June 6, 2018 proceeding.
- 15. **Deny** paragraph 15
- 16. **Deny** paragraph 16(a); Deny paragraph 16(b)

### **RE: COUNT II**

- 17. Attorney-Respondent repleads his responses contained in paragraphs 1 through 15 above and incorporates them by reference as if fully set for the herein.
- 18. Admit paragraph 18 as to Raices. Has no knowledge as to Daniels.
- 19. Admit paragraph 19
- 20. Admit paragraph 20
- 21. Admit paragraph 21
- 22. Admit paragraph 22 subject to confirmation as to total amount
- 23. Admit paragraph 23
- 24. **Deny** paragraph 24
- 25. **Deny** paragraph 25
- 26. **Deny** paragraph 26

- 27. **Deny** paragraph 27
- 28. **Deny** paragraph 28
- 29. **Deny** paragraph 29
- 30. **Deny** paragraph 30
- 31. **Deny** paragraph 31 insofar as alleged that "Respondent has never performed an accounting of the rent money collected from Daniels." Admit the rest.
- 32. Admit paragraph 32
- 33. **Deny** paragraph 33
- 34. **Deny** paragraph 34
- 35. **Deny** paragraph 35 as to total amount being held in IOLTA account
- 36. **Deny** paragraph 36

WHEREFORE, Attorney-Respondent requests that the panel board make findings of fact, conclusions of facts and law, and recommend that a resolution via mediation and education is warranted in this matter, not discipline.

Respectfully Submitted;

1s1 McStephen Solomon

McStephen O. A. Solomon

**COMMISSION RULE 231 RESPONSES** 

1. Attorney-Respondent was admitted to practice in, and to the bar of, the State of

Indiana in February 2019; under full name McStephen O. A. Solomon; Attorney #:

35476-45.

2. Attorney-Respondent was admitted to the bar of the United States District Court,

Northern District of Illinois in November 2012; under the full name McStephen O.

A. Solomon.

3. Attorney-Respondent was admitted to the bar of the United States District Court,

Southern District of Indiana in August 2019; under full name McStephen O. A.

Solomon.

4. Attorney-Respondent has never received any other professional license or

certificate.

Respectfully Submitted;

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