SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, VA: 02/13/2019

Plaintiff,

vs.

EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA (05/29/1964; M)

BP6126(a)/PR -BP22440 -

- 1 COUNT - 2 COUNTS

BP22443.3

- 1 COUNT

(4 TOTAL COUNTS)

Defendant.

MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINT

Case number: 9CJ01

SHERRI R. CARTER Executive Officer/Cle

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Deputy Clerk

Issued by

MICHAEL N. FEUER

City Attorney

JEREMY BERZON

Deputy City Attorney
Consumer and Workplace

Protection Unit

COUNT I

Comes now the undersigned and states that he is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief declares: That on or about 11/17/2018 at and in the City of Los Angeles, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, a misdemeanor, to wit, a violation of Subdivision (a) of Section 6126 of the California Business and Professions Code was committed by EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA (whose true name(s) to affiant is(are) unknown), who at the time and place last aforesaid, did unlawfully advertise and hold himself out as practicing and entitled to practice law and otherwise practicing law to undercover investigators of the Los Angeles Department of Business and Consumer Affairs while not an active member of the California State Bar or entitled to provide immigration law advice under any other authority.

ALLEGATIONS OF PRIOR CONVICTIONS

It is further alleged that the defendant was convicted of violating Subdivision (a) of Section 6126 of the California Business and Professions Code, said violation(s) having occurred on or about the following date(s):

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CODE SECTION

VIOLATION DATE

CONVICTION DATE

COURT NO.

BP6126(a)

11/19/2015

4/10/2017

6CJ00094

MCI 6126(A)/04

COUNT II

For a further, separate and second cause of action being a different offense, belonging to the same class of crimes and offenses set forth in Count I hereof, affiant further alleges that on or about 9/25/2018 and continuing through 11/17/2018, at and in the City of Los Angeles, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, a misdemeanor, to wit, violation of Subdivision (a) of Section 22440 of the California Business and Professions Code was committed by EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA, (whose true name(s) to affiant is(are) unknown), who at the time and place last aforesaid, did unlawfully engage in the business and act in the capacity of an immigration consultant, for compensation, with undercover investigators of the Los Angeles County Department of Business and Consumer Affairs, without having been authorized to practice law or authorized by federal law to represent persons before the Board of Immigration Appeals or the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, and failed to conspicuously display in his office a notice that shall be at least 12 by 20 inches with boldface type or print with each character at least one inch in height and width in English and in the native language of the immigration consultant's clientele, to wit, Spanish, that contains the following information:

a statement that the immigration consultant is not an attorney, the services that the immigration consultant provides and the current and total fee for each service, the name of each immigration consultant employed at each location, and the full name, address, and evidence of compliance with any applicable bonding requirement, including bonding number,

as required by law pursuant to Section 22442.2 of the Business and Professions Code, all of which is made a misdemeanor pursuant to Section 22445(b) of the Business and Professions Code section.

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COUNT III

For a further, separate and third cause of action being a different offense, belonging to the same class of crimes and offenses set forth in Count I hereof, affiant further alleges that on or about 9/25/2018 and continuing through 11/17/2018, in and at the City of Los Angeles, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, a misdemeanor, to wit, violation of Section 22440 of the California Business and Professions Code was committed by EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA, (whose true name (s) to affiant

is (are) unknown), who at the time and place last aroresaid, did unlawfully engage in the business and act in the capacity of an immigration consultant, for compensation, with undercover investigators of the Los Angeles County Department of Business and Consumer Affairs, without having been authorized to practice law or authorized by federal law to represent persons before the Board of Immigration Appeals or the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, and failed to file with the Secretary of State a bond of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) executed by a corporate surety admitted to do business in this state prior to engaging in the business or acting in the capacity of an immigration consultant with undercover investigators as required by law pursuant to Subdivision (a)(1) of Section 22443.1 of the California Business and Professions Code, which is made a misdemeanor pursuant to Section 22445(b) of the California Business and Professions Code.

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COUNT IV

For a further, separate and fourth cause of action being a different offense, belonging to the same class of crimes and offenses set forth in Count I hereof, affiant further alleges that on or about 9/25/2018 and continuing through 11/17/2018, at and in the City of Los Angeles, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, a misdemeanor, to wit, violation of Section 22443.3 of the California Business and Professions Code was committed by EDDIE RIVAS BONILLA, (whose true name(s) to affiant is(are) unknown), who at the time and place last aforesaid, did unlawfully disseminate by any means any statement indicating directly or by implication that he engages in the business or acts in the capacity of an immigration consultant, or proposes to engage in the business or act in the capacity of an immigration consultant, to undercover investigators of the Los Angeles County Department of Business and Consumer Affairs without having on file with the Secretary of State a disclosure statement and a bond, in the amount of, and subject to the terms described in Section 22443.1 of the Business and Professions Code, that is maintained throughout the period covered by the statement, which is made a misdemeanor pursuant to Section 22445(b) of the Business and Professions Code section.

22443.3/04

All of which is contrary to the law and against the peace and dignity of the People of the State of California. Declarant and complainant therefore prays that a warrant may be issued for the arrest of said defendant(s) and that he/she may be dealt with according to law.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at Los Angeles, California on December 20,3017

VOLUNTARY APPEARANCE

Department 48
Los Angeles Superior Court
February 13, 2019

Declarant and Complainant

INFORMAL DISCOVERY NOTICE

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S) AND/OR ATTORNEY(S) FOR DEFENDANT(S):

Plaintiff, the People of the State of California, hereby requests discovery/disclosure from the defendant(s) and his or her attorney(s) in this case pursuant to Penal Code Sections 1054.3 and 1054.5.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that if complete disclosure is not made within 15 days of this request, plaintiff will seek -- on or before the next court date, or as soon as practicable thereafter -- a court order enforcing the provisions of Penal Code Section 1054.1, subdivisions (b) and (c). This is an ongoing request for any of the listed items which become known to the defendant(s) and his or her attorney(s) after the date of compliance.

The written statements and reports attached hereto constitute discoverable materials designated in Penal Code Section 1054.1. Any additional material discoverable pursuant to Penal Code Section 1054.1 that becomes known to plaintiff will be provided to the defense.

If, prior to or during trial, as a result of this request plaintiff obtains additional evidence or material subject to disclosure under a previous defense request or court order pursuant to Penal Code Section 1054.1, plaintiff will disclose the existence of that evidence or material within a reasonable time.

DISCOVERY MATERIALS SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO A DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY IN MASTER CALENDAR COURT ON THE FIRST TRIAL DATE.