

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Petitioner,

v.

JOMAR A. VALDES,

Respondent.

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Case No. **FILED**

OCT 2 1981

SID J. WHITE
CLERK SUPREME COURT

By _____
Chief Deputy Clerk

PETITION AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

The Florida Bar, petitioner, charges Jomar A. Valdes, respondent, with engaging in the unauthorized practice of law in the State of Florida, and in support thereof, alleges:

I

This petition is filed pursuant to Article XVI of the Integration Rule of The Florida Bar.

II

This Court has original and exclusive jurisdiction to prohibit the unauthorized practice of law pursuant to Article V, Section 15, of the Florida Constitution.

III

Petitioner is charged with the duty and responsibility of initiating and prosecuting, in this Court, proceedings against the unauthorized practice of law.

IV

Article II, Section 2, of the Integration Rule of The Florida Bar provides in part that "No person shall engage in any way in the practice of law in this state unless such person is an active member of The Florida Bar in good standing...."

V

The Board of Governors of The Florida Bar has authorized the institution of this proceeding against respondent.

VI

Respondent, at all times material herein, was not and is not a member of The Florida Bar, and was not and is not therefore licensed to engage in the practice of law in the State of Florida.

VII

Respondent has engaged in the unauthorized practice of law in Dade County, Florida by one or more of the following acts:

1. Respondent has prepared warranty deeds for individuals other than himself.
2. Respondent has assisted others in the preparation of articles of incorporation and dissolution of marriage documents.
3. Respondent has drawn lease agreements for individuals other than himself.
4. Respondent has drawn contracts for corporations which he was an officer or director of.
5. Respondent represented Mr. Silvio Lugo in the purchase of real property from Ms. Lucia Podnos.
6. Respondent gave legal advice to Mrs. Gloria de Guerrero regarding a settlement agreement in an eviction proceeding.

VIII

The aforementioned activities of respondent violate the letter and spirit of this court's decisions in The Florida Bar v. Keehley, 190 So.2d 173 (Fla. 1966), The Florida Bar v. Williams, 388 So.2d 564 (Fla. 1980), The Florida Bar v. Furman, 376 So.2d 379 (Fla. 1979), The Florida Bar v. Irizarry, 268 So.2d 377 (Fla. 1972), and The Florida Bar v. Fuentes, 190 So.2d 748 (Fla. 1966).

WHEREFORE, petitioner prays as follows:

1. That this Court issue its order directed to respondent, commanding him to show cause, if any there be, why he should not be enjoined by this Court for the unauthorized practice of law in the State of Florida, and why he should not be held in indirect criminal contempt of this Court.
2. That this Court issue a permanent injunction preventing and restraining respondent from engaging in the acts complained of and from otherwise engaging in the practice of law in the State of Florida.
3. That this Court find respondent in indirect criminal contempt of this Court.
4. That the costs of this proceeding be assessed against respondent.
5. That this Court grant such other and further relief as it may deem proper.

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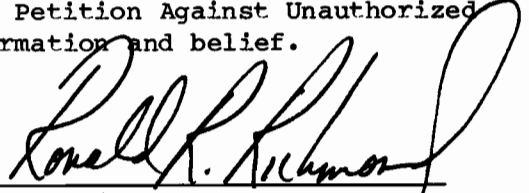
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Before me, the undersigned authority, duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Ronald R. Richmond, who, after first being duly sworn, upon oath, says that the allegations of the foregoing Petition Against Unauthorized Practice of Law are true to the best of his information and belief.



Ronald R. Richmond

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of October, 1981.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public, State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires May 19, 1982
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