





or prospective clients. Respondent is currently suspended from the practice of law pending the final disposition of this disciplinary matter.

III. NATURE OF PROCEEDING

Petitioner brings this disciplinary action pursuant to the STATE BAR ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE ANNOTATED §81.001, et seq. (Vernon 1988 and supp. 1994), the TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, and the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE.

IV. VENUE

Respondent is an attorney licensed to practice law in Texas and is a member of the STATE BAR OF TEXAS. Respondent's residence and principal place of practice is Harris County, Texas; therefore, venue is appropriate in Harris County, Texas, pursuant to Rule 3.03 of the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. Respondent may be served at her home address,

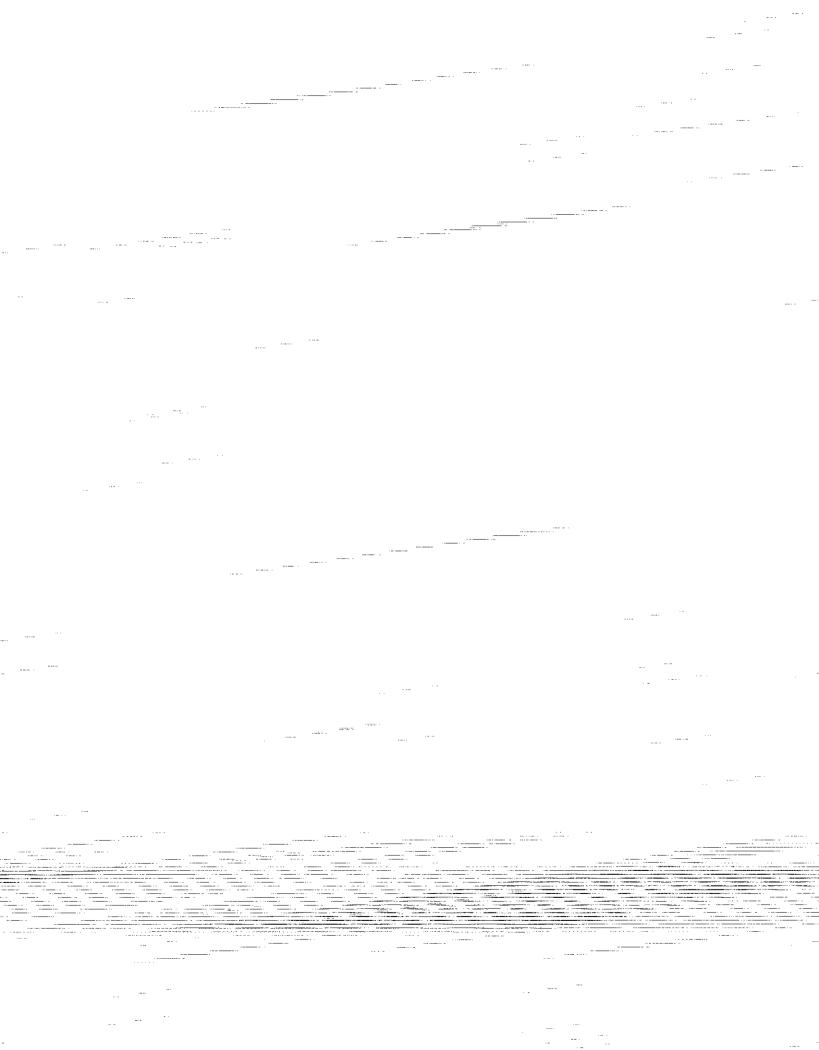
V. CAUSE OF ACTION

On or about September 1, 1999, TROY D. McCLENDON (hereinafter referred to as "McCLENDON") and JEFFREY A. HARPER (hereinafter referred to as "HARPER") hired Respondent for representation in their bankruptcy cases styled *In Re: Troy McClendon, Debtor*, Case No. 00-30706-H3-7, In the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, and *In Re: Jeffrey A. Harper*, Case No. 00-30707-H3-7, In the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, respectively.

Based upon the advice and recommendation of Respondent, McCLENDON and HARPER immediately surrendered their credit cards to Respondent for safekeeping. Thereafter, numerous

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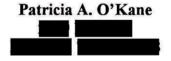
June 6, 2001

John T. Adams, Clerk SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS P.O. Box 12248 Austin, Texas 78711

RE: Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Patricia A. O'Kane

Dear Mr. Adams:

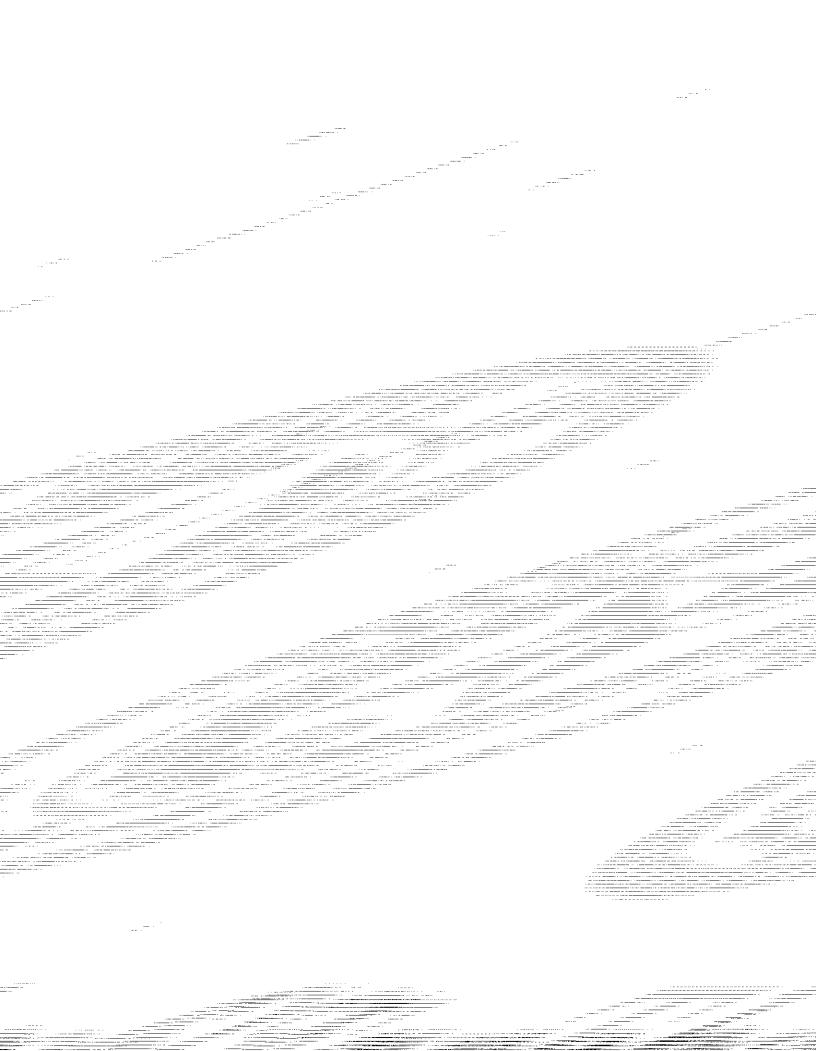
Enclosed please find an original and two (2) copies of the Original Disciplinary Petition being filed by the COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE against Patricia A. O'Kane. Patricia A. O'Kane has designated Harris County, Texas, as her principal place of practice. Request is hereby made that the Court appoint an active district judge who does not reside in the Administrative Judicial Region in which Respondent resides to preside in this case. Upon appointment, request is made that you notify the Respondent (at the address shown below) and the undersigned of the identity and address of the judge assigned:



As a practical matter, we respectfully suggest that an inquiry be made as to whether the judge will be able to comply with the one hundred and eighty (180) day deadline by which the case must be set for trial as set forth in Section 3.07 of the TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. If not, we respectfully request that an alternate appointment be made.

Once a trial judge has been appointed, please forward the original and two (2) copies of the *Original Disciplinary Petition*, the *Civil Case Information Sheet*, the filing fee check (all enclosed herewith), and the *Court's Appointing Order* to the District Clerk of Harris County, Texas, with the request that the suit be filed, service be obtained, and a file-marked copy of the petition be returned to the undersigned.

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Ms. Patricia A. O'Kane

Dear Ms. Hasley and Ms. O'Kane:

Pursuant to Rule 3.02 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, I hereby notify you that the Supreme Court of Texas has appointed the Honorable Phillip O. Vick, Judge of the 158th District Court, Denton, to preside in

Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Patricia A. O'Kane

Sincerely,

SIGNED

John T. Adams Clerk