IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF TEXAS Misc. Docket No. 95- 3040 IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT J. SALINAS

ORDER

On this day came on for consideration the Motion for Acceptance of Resignation as Attorney and Counselor at Law of Robert J. Salinas together with the Response filed by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas acting through the Commission for Lawyer Discipline. The Court has reviewed said Motion and the Response and finds each to be legally sufficient. The Court, being advised that such resignation is tendered in lieu of disciplinary action, and being of the opinion that such resignation is in the best interest of the public and of the profession and will meet the ends of justice, hereby concludes that the following Order is appropriate.

It is ORDERED that the law license of Robert J. Salinas heretofore issued by this court, be, and the same is hereby cancelled and revoked and his name be, and is hereby, removed and deleted from the list of persons licensed to practice law in the State of Texas. Receipt of the license and permanent State Bar card issued by this Court to Robert J. Salinas is hereby acknowledged.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF TEXAS RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION AS ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

OF

ROBERT J. SALINAS

TO THE HONORABLE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS:

The Commission for Lawyer Discipline ("Commission") moves the Court to accept the Resignation as Attorney and Counselor at Law of Robert J. Salinas, showing the Court that:

I.

On November 30, 1994, Robert J. Salinas voluntarily executed a Motion for Acceptance of Resignation as Attorney and Counselor at Law. The Commission hereby concurs in such motion. Acceptance of such resignation in lieu of disciplinary action will protect the public.

II.

In connection with such resignation, the Commission makes the following findings of fact:

- (1) Applicant Robert J. Salinas is guilty and has entered a plea of guilty pursuant to charges under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956 (a) (1) and Section 1956 (b) (1), Laundering of Monetary Instruments; and
 - (2) Applicant, Robert J. Salinas, is guilty and has entered

a plea of guilty pursuant to charges under Title 26, United States Code, Section 6050I and Section 7203, Wilful Failure to File Form 8300, which charges were filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division.

- (3) Applicant acknowledges that he has pled guilty because he is guilty of each element of the charged offenses and for no other reason.
- (4) Applicant acknowledges that conviction of the charged offenses would be sufficient to support a judgment of compulsory disbarment.

III.

Based on the foregoing findings of fact, the Commission concludes as a matter of law that Robert J. Salinas committed professional misconduct by violating Rule 8.04 (a) (2); Rule 8.04 (a) (3); and Rule 8.04 (a) (4); of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct.

IV.

The Commission prays that the Court accept the resignation as an Attorney and Counselor of Law of Robert J. Salinas and drop his name from the list of persons licensed to practice law in the State of Texas.

RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION - PAGE 2 OF 3

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS MOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION AS ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

OF

ROBERT J. SALINAS

NOW COMES your Applicant ROBERT J. SALINAS, and hereby resigns as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in the State of Texas; and hereby submits to the Court his resignation as an Attorney and Counselor at Law; and prays that the Court accept said resignation.

I.

The License and permanent State Bar card issued by this Court to the Applicant, ROBERT J. SALINAS, as an Attorney and Counselor at Law on September 9, 1969, have heretofore been surrendered by Applicant by separate cover on July 7, 1994, via U.S. Mail, Certified. (Please see copy of letter and copy of Certified Mail Receipt, attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

II.

In connection with such resignation, Applicant acknowledges the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

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(1) Applicant ROBERT J. SALINAS, is guilty and has entered

a plea of guilty pursuant to charges under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956 (a)(1) and Section 1956 (b)(1), Laundering of Monetary Instruments; and

- (2) Applicant, ROBERT J. SALINAS, is guilty and has entered a plea of guilty pursuant to charges under Title 26, United States Code, Section 6050I and Section 7203, Wilful Failure to File Form 8300, which charges were filed in the United States District Court, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division.
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III.

Your Applicant is voluntarily resigning and withdrawing from the practice of law; Applicant does so in lieu of discipline for professional misconduct; and Applicant prays that his name be dropped and deleted from the list of persons licensed to practice law in Texas; and that his resignation be accepted.

Stare Bar No. 17536000

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before	re me by the said		
Robert J. Salinas this the 30th	day of <u>November</u> ,		
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DEBBIE GARZA Notary Public STATE OF TEXAS My Comm. Exp. April 2, 1998	NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Texas		

My commission expires

<u>Debbie Garza</u> Printed name of notary

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July 7, 1994

Honorable Clerk
Supreme Court of the State of Texas
Supreme Court Building
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Sir or Medam:

I hereby voluntarily resign as an Attorney and Counselor at Law of the Supreme Court of the State of Texas.

I enclose herewith the license that was issued to me on the 9th day of September 1969, together with my State Bar of Texas Card #17536000.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Salinas

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