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**SUPREME COURT MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

S214061 A135892 First Appellate District, Div. 1

**FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE
OF SAN MATEO GARDENS v.
SAN MATEO COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISTRICT**

Opinion filed: Judgment reversed

We reverse the judgment of the Court of Appeal and remand for further proceedings consistent with this opinion.

Majority Opinion by Kruger, J.

-- joined by Cantil-Sakauye-Sakauye, C. J., Werdegar, Chin, Corrigan, Liu, and Cuéllar, JJ.

S237292 A145701 First Appellate District, Div. 5

**EUREKA, CITY OF v. S.C.
(GREENSON)**

Time for ordering review extended on the court's own motion

The time for ordering review on the court's own motion is hereby extended to November 16, 2016. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 8.512(c).)

S235990

PATE ON DISCIPLINE

Recommended discipline imposed

The court orders that LINDA WALLACE PATE, State Bar Number 79523, is suspended from the practice of law in California for one year, execution of that period of suspension is stayed, and she is placed on probation for one year subject to the following conditions:

1. LINDA WALLACE PATE must comply with the conditions of probation recommended by the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court in its Order Approving Stipulation filed on May 27, 2016; and
2. At the expiration of the period of probation, if LINDA WALLACE PATE has complied with the terms of probation, the period of stayed suspension will be satisfied and that suspension will be terminated.

LINDA WALLACE PATE must also take and pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within one year after the effective date of this order and provide satisfactory proof of such passage to the State Bar's Office of Probation within the same period. Failure to do so may result in suspension. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(b).)

Costs are awarded to the State Bar in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 6086.10 and are enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment. One-third of the costs must be paid with her membership fees for each of the years 2017, 2018, and 2019. If LINDA WALLACE PATE fails to pay any installment as described above, or as may be modified by the State Bar Court, the remaining balance is due and payable immediately.

S235995**NICHOLS ON DISCIPLINE**

Recommended discipline imposed

The court orders that PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS, State Bar Number 214860, is suspended from the practice of law in California for one year, execution of that period of suspension is stayed, and he is placed on probation for one year subject to the following conditions:

1. PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS is suspended from the practice of law for the first 30 days of probation;
2. PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS must comply with the other conditions of probation recommended by the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court in its Order Approving Stipulation filed on May 26, 2016; and
3. At the expiration of the period of probation, if PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS has complied with all conditions of probation, the period of stayed suspension will be satisfied and that suspension will be terminated.

PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS must also take and pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within one year after the effective date of this order and provide satisfactory proof of such passage to the State Bar's Office of Probation in Los Angeles within the same period. Failure to do so may result in suspension. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(b).)

Costs are awarded to the State Bar in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 6086.10 and are enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment. One-third of the costs must be paid with his membership fees for each of the years 2017, 2018, and 2019. If PATRICK THOMAS NICHOLS fails to pay any installment as described above, or as may be modified by the State Bar Court, the remaining balance is due and payable immediately.

S236000**BALCOM ON DISCIPLINE**

Recommended discipline imposed: disbarred

The court orders that TIMOTHY BROOKS BALCOM, State Bar Number 190496, is disbarred from the practice of law in California and that his name is stricken from the roll of attorneys.

TIMOTHY BROOKS BALCOM must make restitution to the following payees:

- (1) Justin Long in the amount of \$2,500 plus 10 percent interest per year from November 12, 2014;
- (2) Evelyn and Ted Apostolou in the amount of \$2,500 plus 10 percent interest per year from December 26, 2014;
- (3) Earl and Sonia Sinclair in the amount of \$2,500 plus 10 percent interest per year from January 5, 2015; and

- (4) Erica Fontenot in the amount of \$1,500 plus 10 percent interest per year from January 5, 2015.

Any restitution owed to the Client Security Fund is enforceable as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.5, subdivisions (c) and (d).

TIMOTHY BROOKS BALCOM must also comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 calendar days, respectively, after the effective date of this order.

Costs are awarded to the State Bar in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 6086.10 and are enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

S236001**BEACH ON DISCIPLINE**

Recommended discipline imposed: disbarred

The court orders that ANDREW FAIRMONT BEACH, State Bar Number 227333, is disbarred from the practice of law in California and that his name is stricken from the roll of attorneys.

ANDREW FAIRMONT BEACH must also comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 calendar days, respectively, after the effective date of this order.

Costs are awarded to the State Bar in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 6086.10 and are enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.

S236002**JONES ON DISCIPLINE**

Recommended discipline imposed: disbarred

The court orders that KENNETH GERALD JONES, State Bar Number 196868, is disbarred from the practice of law in California and that his name is stricken from the roll of attorneys.

KENNETH GERALD JONES must make restitution to Bowles & Verna LLP in the amount of \$555,454.90 plus 10 percent interest per year from May 26, 2015. Any restitution owed to the Client Security Fund is enforceable as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.5, subdivisions (c) and (d).

KENNETH GERALD JONES must also comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 calendar days, respectively, after the effective date of this order.

Costs are awarded to the State Bar in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 6086.10 and are enforceable both as provided in Business and Professions Code section 6140.7 and as a money judgment.