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Re: Complaint of The Florida Bar against Jose Angel Baez  
The Florida Bar File No.: 2012-30,171 (19A)

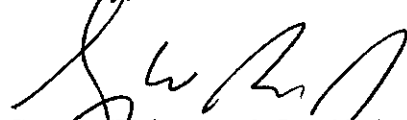
Dear Mr. Chinaris and Mr. Weiss:

On January 18, 2012, the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee "A" unanimously found no probable cause for disciplinary proceedings in the above-referenced case. The vote was 7 to 0. The committee is comprised of both lawyers and nonlawyers.

The grievance committee thoroughly reviewed all the court records and documents and conducted several interviews. The grievance committee is cognizant of the fact that the case involved a complex fact situation and many months had passed since the probation order at issue. Your client indicated to the grievance committee that his representations to the court were not made to mislead the court but were made based upon his understanding of the context of the question. The grievance committee has concluded that there is not clear and convincing evidence that the conduct violated the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar in this matter. Therefore this case is now closed.

For the reasons set forth herein, our file on this matter has been closed. Pursuant to the Bar's records retention schedule, the computer record and file will be disposed of one year from the date of closing.

Sincerely,



George Walter Bush Jr., Chair  
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee "A"

cc: Sheila Marie Tuma, Bar Counsel  
Thomas Richard Bakkedahl, Investigating Member  
John Mitchell Stewart, Designated Reviewer