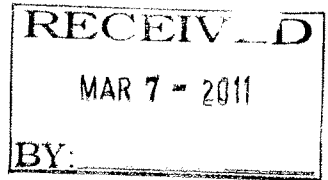


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RE: Law Offices of David J. Stern, PA cases in your circuit

Dear Judge Hayworth:

A short while ago, we wrote to your Honor advising that our firm suffered a tremendous reduction of both clients and personnel. Since our last communication, we have continued to file Motions to Withdraw as Counsel in mass and have been attempting to set them as quickly and efficiently as possible. The majority of our clients have terminated the attorney-client relationship and have taken physical possession of their files. The files were taken in November 2010, with the promise from our clients that new counsel would file a stipulation of substitution of counsel with the court and ask for entry of an order substituting counsel within thirty (30) days. To date, in the vast majority of cases, successor counsel has still not been named or identified to us. In the instances where successor counsel has been identified, we have either drafted Stipulation of Substitution of Counsel or have signed the same by the thousands. For reasons unbeknownst to us, of those aforementioned Stipulations, new counsel has failed to file them with the court. In other cases our former clients have simply failed to obtain new counsel altogether.

Given these circumstances, we estimate that we still need to withdraw from approximately 100,000 files statewide. With our extremely limited staff, we have attended as many hearings as possible without new counsel coming forward to shoulder the responsibility for the files they were assigned nearly five months ago. As a result thereof, we have been forced to drastically reduce our attorney and paralegal staff to the point where we no longer have the financial or personnel resources to continue to file the Motions to Withdraw in the tens of thousands of cases that we still remain as counsel of record. Therefore, it is with great regret that we will be ceasing the servicing of clients with respect to all pending foreclosure matters in the State of Florida as of March 31, 2011. If our former clients do not cause new counsel to appear to

represent them by March 31, 2011, your Honor should treat the pending cases on the enclosed list as you deem appropriate. We are enclosing a list of all of the active cases we have in your circuit.

We welcome any input your Honor has in furthering our objective and look forward to working with your Honor to reach a resolution.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. J. Stern', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

DAVID J. STERN