

Legal Summary Letter – Steven D. Silverstein

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| Formal Notice of Extortionate and Unethical Conduct

To: Mr. Steven D. Silverstein, Attorney at Law

From: Michael A Gasio, Defendant/Tenant

Re: Unlawful Actions, Lack of Standing, and Extortion in *Case No. Request for Independent Review – Request for Judicial Review and Correction – Case No. 30-2024-01410991-CL-UD-CJC* Opened August 14, 2025

This letter provides a comprehensive notice of misconduct in your representation of Dr. Phat K. Tran during the unlawful detainer and related proceedings. Evidence demonstrates your active role in extortion, deceit, and misuse of the court system to obtain money not owed.

| Summary of Allegations

- Knowingly prosecuted a false claim after proof of rent payment was supplied over 200 times by email and in court.
- Misrepresented payment status to the tribunal, violating professional and criminal statutes.
- Participated in physical intimidation attempts at the tenant's residence in June 2024 and used false pleadings in July 2024 to coerce double payment.
- Ignored warnings, refused to investigate agent Hanson Le's possession of rent check, and pursued judgment without standing.

| Chronology of Extortion and Abuse of Process

- **June 2024:** Attempted outside-contract collection with vehicle confrontation on tenant's property (Extortion Count 1).
- **July 2024:** Courtroom deceit used to extract payment through fraudulent judgment (Extortion Count 2).
- **Post-Judgment:** Continued harassment and refusal to correct false record despite notice of criminal exposure.

| Violations of Law

Statute	Description	Evidence References	Penalty / Exposure
Cal. Pen. Code §518–524	Extortion and attempted extortion by threat and color of authority (Counts 1 & 2)	Witness testimony, video/stills of truck incident, court transcript, USPS proof of delivery	Felony 2–4 years, fines ≤ \$10,000
Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §6128(a)	Attorney deceit on court and party (false statements about payment)	Court transcript, certified mail receipts, copy of check, client texts acknowledging payment	Misdemeanor ≤ 6 months jail + fine ≤ \$2,500; Bar discipline
Cal. Rules Prof. Conduct 3.1, 3.3, 4.1, 8.4	Frivolous filing, lack of candor to tribunal, false statements, dishonest conduct	Email log, hallway conversation record, transcript of false representation	State Bar disciplinary action up to disbarment
Cal. Civ. Code §1940.2	Participation in landlord harassment through threats or menacing acts	Incident report June 2024, photographic composite, witness affidavit	Civil penalties ≤ \$2,000 per incident + attorney fees
Common Law Torts	Malicious Prosecution / Abuse of Process / Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress	Filing history, medical records, contemporaneous journal entries	Compensatory + punitive damages (>\$100,000 claimed)


| Consequences and Remedies Sought

- Referral to District Attorney for criminal extortion and attorney deceit.
- Complaint to California State Bar seeking suspension or disbarment.
- Civil action for fraud, abuse of process, and damages under Penal Code §496(c) (treble damages).
- Vacatur of fraudulent judgment obtained July 2024 for lack of standing and intrinsic fraud.
- Full restitution of \$5,300 + interest, \$6,000 labor, and consequential damages.

| Conclusion

Your actions constitute deliberate fraud upon the court and extortion under color of authority. You were warned repeatedly and persisted. The evidence record, certified communications, and witness statements will accompany formal complaints to law-enforcement and regulatory agencies. Immediate corrective action and written response are demanded within ten (10) days of receipt of this notice.

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