BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW OF THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

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DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL
250 Civic Center Drive, Suite 325
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RELATOR,
v.
JOSEPH B. NEVILLE
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Board No. 10-06

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RESPONDENT.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OF RELATOR AND RESPONDENT PURSUANT TO RULE VII SECTION 5b OF THE RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO

Relator filed a Formal Complaint against respondent, Joseph B. Neville, with the Board of

Commissioners on the Unauthorized Practice of Law of the Supreme Court of Ohio ("Board") on

August 3, 2010. Respondent filed an Answer to the Complaint on August 6, 2010. Relator and

respondent now enter into this Settlement Agreement pursuant to Gov. Bar R. VII § 5b.

I. AGREED FACTS

- Respondent, Joseph B. Neville, is an attorney not admitted to the practice of law in the State of Ohio.
- Respondent is currently registered in Ohio for corporate status as of December 21, 2009, in connection with his employment as Associate Vice President for Luxottica Retail, a corporation located at 4000 Luxottica Place, Mason, Ohio 45040.

- Respondent has been licensed to practice law in the State of Texas since October 30,
 1981, and is an active member in good stating with the Texas Bar.
- 4. Respondent has held the following positions during his employment at Luxottica in Ohio: Director of Government Relations from January 1993 to July 1996, Senior Director of Government Relations from July 1996 to December 1997, and Associate Vice President of Government Relations from December 1997 to present.
- 5. During his employment at Luxottica, respondent's primary job has been to monitor and lobby for legislation related to Luxottica's business and to hire local lobbyists and attorneys to assist in this task.
- 6. On December 21, 2009, respondent filed a certificate of registration for corporate status with the Supreme Court of Ohio.
- 7. The Supreme Court granted respondent's request for corporate status with an effective date of December 21, 2009.
- 8. Respondent's Ohio attorney registration number is 0085782.
- 9. By virtue of his corporate status, respondent can now perform legal services in Ohio for Luxottica and can now appear on its behalf before an Ohio court or agency if that court of agency grants him leave to appear.
- Respondent is not licensed to practice law in Ohio and before December 21, 2009, he was not registered as an out-of-state attorney in accordance with the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.
- As a result, from January 1993 until December 20, 2009, Neville was unauthorized to practice law in Ohio.

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- 12. On occasion during this period, respondent engaged in the unauthorized practice of law in Ohio by providing Luxottica executives and employees with legal advice on optical-related laws that apply to opticians, optometrists and related advertising.
- On occasion from 2005 to 2009, respondent engaged in the unauthorized practice of law in Ohio by overseeing franchise-related legal work for Luxottica.

II. AGREED RESOLUTION

As set forth in Gov. Bar R. VII § 5b(C):

- Respondent admits that he was engaged in the unauthorized practice of law as set forth in the "Agreed Facts" section of this agreement, and thereby, admits the material allegations of the unauthorized practice of law as set forth in relator's Formal Complaint;
- The public is protected from future harm and any substantial injury is remedied by this agreement;
- Respondent agrees to cease and desist from engaging in the unauthorized practice of law;
- This settlement agreement resolves the material allegations of the unauthorized practice of law;
- This settlement agreement does not involve any public policy issues or encroach upon the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court to regulate the practice of law; and,
- This settlement agreement furthers the stated purposes of Gov. Bar R. VII.

^{*}Respectfully submitted,

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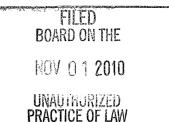
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FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OF RELATOR AND RESPONDENT PURSUANT TO RULE VII SECTION 5b OF THE RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BAR OF OHIO

Relator, Disciplinary Counsel and respondent, Joseph B. Neville, submit the following

supplement to the Settlement Agreement filed with the Board of Commissioners on the

Unauthorized Practice of Law of the Supreme Court of Ohio ("Board") on August 26, 2010, in

this matter.

I. AGREED FACTS

- 14. On December 21, 2009, respondent paid the applicable fees for corporate status registration for the following biennial periods since 1993.
 - \$100 for 1993-95
 - \$150 for 1995-97

- \$250 for 1997-99
- \$250 for 1999-2001
- \$250 for 2001-03
- \$275 for 2003-05
- \$300 for 2005-07
- \$350 for 2007-09
- \$350 for 2009-11

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• The parties agree that a civil penalty will not be imposed in this case.

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