

BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD
OF THE
ILLINOIS ATTORNEY REGISTRATION
AND
DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

RONI S. VANAUSDALL,

Attorney-Respondent,

No. 6279961.

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Commission No.: 2021PR00039

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

Now Comes Attorney-Respondent, RONI VANAUSDALL, by and through her attorneys,
HANAUER LAW OFFICE, LLC., by ROBERT J. HANAUER and ANTHONY CAMERON and for her
Answer to Complaint herein, states as follows:

COUNT I

1. Admitted.
2. Admitted.
3. Admitted.
4. Admitted.
5. Admitted.
6. Admitted.
7. Admitted.
8. Admitted.
9. Admitted that Respondent finished preparing the proposed orders. Admitted that Rober approved the proposed orders, with additions to be made. Denied as to Rober expressly authorizing Respondent to enter the orders in his absence. Insufficient knowledge to admit or deny as to whether Rober needed to leave to go to court in another count and as to when, exactly, Rober left the courtroom, and therefore denied.

10. Admitted that Respondent made additions to the one-page order. Admitted that Respondent added language in the margin that neither party shall abuse, harass or intimidate the other party, and that either party could require the other to perform and present results of a drug test. Otherwise denied. Further answering, Rober was present in the courtroom when these additions were made. Further answering, Rober and Respondent discussed, and agreed to, the addition of language regarding abuse, harassment or intimidated to the order.
11. Admitted that Respondent prepared a two-page proposed order in the Dissolution of Marriage Case. Admitted that the order misstated the agreed terms of the temporary parenting time agreement in one way. Admitted that the order indicated that Gregory, not Aftan, would have the majority of the parenting time which misstated the agreed terms. Denied that the duration of the temporary parenting time agreement misstated the agreed terms of the order. Further answering, the parties contemplated resolving the case at the next CMC. Further answering, case resolution or further order of court was contemplated by Respondent and Rober to be accomplished at the next CMC.
12. Admitted that the two-page order contained the alleged provisions. Further answering:
 - a. Denied.
 - b. Denied.
 - c. Denied that provision was not discussed between Respondent and Rober. Admitted that provision was not agreed upon.
 - d. Denied.
 - e. Denied.
 - f. Denied.
 - g. Admitted.
 - h. Denied that provision was not discussed between Respondent and Rober. Admitted that provision was not agreed upon. Further answering, all parents are required to complete this provision per local rule 7.3(d).

13. Admitted.
14. Admitted.
15. Admitted that Respondent approached the bench and presented the orders. Denied that Judge Henze asked whether Rober had seen the orders or that Respondent stated "yes" in response to the questions alleged. Denied that Respondent expressly stated "yes" in response to Judge Henze's questions. Further answering, Respondent acknowledges and admits that her conduct of tendering the orders to Judge Henze implied an agreement which did not otherwise exist.
16. Denied for the reasons as stated in Paragraph 15.
17. Denied for the reasons as stated in Paragraph 15.
18. Admitted that Judge Henze ordered Respondent and Rober to appear in her courtroom the next day. Insufficient knowledge to either admit or deny as to what Judge Henze was apprised of, therefore denied.
19. Denied.
20. See below:
 - a. Denied that Respondent requested Rober to falsely state that replacement order (that was entered) was what had been agreed to. Otherwise, admitted.
 - b. Denied.
 - c. Denied that Respondent requested Rober to falsely state that replacement order (that was entered) was what had been agreed to. Otherwise, admitted.

WHEREFORE Respondent respectfully presents this Answer to this Honorable Commission.

COUNT II

21. Respondent realleges and incorporates her answers to paragraphs 1 through 19 of Count I, above.
22. Admitted.
23. Admitted.
24. Admitted.

25. Denied that the court entered judgment on the plea. Further answering, the court accepted the Alford plea. Otherwise, admitted.

26. Admitted.

27. Admitted.

WHEREFORE Respondent respectfully presents this Answer to this Honorable Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ ROBERT J. HANAUER
ROBERT J. HANAUER

VERIFICATION

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certify that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certify as so stated and that they verily believe the same to be true.


Rori S. Van Aurdall

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served upon the attorneys of record of all parties by email on December 3, 2021.

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