

1 STATE OF NEVADA
2 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
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4 Case No. DE20200325-001

5 In the matter of:

6 CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

7 PRO SE PROS, LLC
8 Mark D. DiCiero
9 NVDP20179181211

10 TO:

11 Mark D. DiCiero
12 PRO SE PROS, LLC
13 703 South 8th Street
14 Las Vegas, NV 89101

15 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the State of Nevada, Office of the Secretary of
16 State finds that you are in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes NRS 240A.240 as set
17 out with specificity in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

18 You are hereby directed and ordered to immediately CEASE AND DESIST
19 from operating as a Document Preparation Service and the "Unlicensed Practice of
20 Law".

21 Be advised, if you fail to comply with this Cease and Desist Order, the Secretary
22 of State may refuse to renew your registration and may pursue an administrative
23 hearing to suspend or revoke your registration.

24 Be advised a civil action may be filed against you as set forth in NRS 240A.280
25 which may include, without limitation, the imposition of a civil penalty in an amount
26 up to \$5,000 for each violation and attorneys' fees.

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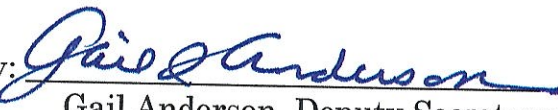
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1 Be advised that any willful violation of this Cease and Desist Order may subject
2 you to prosecution and criminal penalties pursuant to NRS 240A.290.

3 DATED: October 15, 2020
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6 Barbara K. Cegavske, Secretary of State,
State of Nevada, Office of the Secretary of State
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8 By: 
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FACTS AND RATIONALE FOR CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

TO: PRO SE PROS, LLC.

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NRS 240A.240 Prohibited Acts by Registrant.

NRS 240A.240 (1) (c), (d), (g) and (h), Prohibited acts by registrant, states that a registrant shall not:

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, in any advertisement or written description of the registrant or the services provided by the registrant, or on any letterhead or business card of the registrant, use the term "legal aid," "legal services," "law office," "notario," "notario publico," "notary public," "notary," "paralegal," "legal assistant," "licensed," "licenciado," "attorney," "lawyer" or any similar term, in English, Spanish or any other language, which implies that the registrant:

- (1) Offers services without charge if the registrant does not do so;
- (2) Is an attorney authorized to practice law in this State; or
- (3) Is acting under the direction and supervision of an attorney.

(d) Represent himself or herself, orally or in writing, as a paralegal or legal assistant which implies that the registrant is acting under the direction and supervision of an attorney licensed to practice law in this State.

(g) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, provide any advice, explanation, opinion or recommendation to a client about possible legal rights, remedies, defenses, options or the selection of documents or strategies, except that a registrant may provide to a client published factual information, written or approved by an attorney, relating to legal procedures, rights or obligations.

(h) Seek or obtain from a client a waiver of any provision of this chapter. Any such waiver is contrary to public policy and void.

The State of Nevada, Office of the Secretary of State finds that you violated NRS 240A.240(1) (c), (d), (g) and (h).

1 1. Your "PRO SE PROS" website: <https://www.prosepros.net/>, and other pages on
2 your website, "What We Do", "Frequently Asked Questions" and "Blogs":
3 <https://www.prosepros.net/what-we-do>, [https://www.prosepros.net/frequently-asked-](https://www.prosepros.net/frequently-asked-questions)
4 [questions, https://www.prosepros.net/blogs](https://www.prosepros.net/blogs) contain language that is misleading and can
5 be interpreted as legal representation, such as: "We prepare. You approve. We then
6 file, serve, and complete the process.", "We specialize in: Contested and Uncontested
7 Divorces, Motions for Custody, Child Support, Alimony, Exclusive Possession, Child
8 Support Arrears, Penalties, Contempt (Orders to Show Cause), Oppositions and
9 Replies to Oppositions.", etc. This is a violation of NRS 240A.240 (1) (c) and (d) by
10 implying that the registrant is authorized to practice law in this State and represents
11 himself or herself, as a paralegal or legal assistant which implies that the registrant is
12 acting under the direction and supervision of an attorney licensed to practice law in
13 this State.

14 2. On your "Blogs" page on your website, you state: "We are often asked what "case
15 coaching" refers to in the Pro Se PROS tagline of "Family Court Document Preparation
16 and Case Coaching." The short answer is that we don't just draft, revise, file, and
17 serve Family Court documents/pleadings for you; we also help you get ready for your
18 important day in court." This is a violation of NRS 240A.240 (1) (g).

19 3. Your "PRO SE PROS" social media: <https://www.facebook.com/ProSePros1> and
20 advertising on such, also contains language that is misleading as well and can be
21 interpreted as legal representation, such as: "Welcome to Pro Se PROS on Facebook!
22 We are a Family Law Document Preparation and Paralegal Service (licensed and
23 bonded in the State of Nevada) specializing in divorce, custody, and other domestic
24 relations matters". This is a violation of NRS 240A.240 (1) (c) and (g).

25 4. In your 4/9/2020 correspondence submitted to the Office of the Secretary of
26 State, regarding Case#DE20200325-001, you provided a "Written Contract"
27 (Exhibit F). On this document your clients are requested to sign in agreement of this
28 language: "THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE READ THIS CONTRACT,

1 UNDERSTAND IT IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS, CAUSING
2 THIS AGREEMENT TO BECOME FULLY EFFECTIVE AND ENFORCEABLE.
3 CLIENT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NEITHER PRO SE PROS LLC, NOR ANY OF ITS
4 REPRESENTATIVES, HAVE REPRESENTED THEMSELVES AS ATTORNEYS IN
5 ANY WAY. CLIENT UNDERSTANDS THAT ALL DOCUMENTS ARE SOLELY
6 BASED ON INFORMATION THAT CLIENT PROVIDES TO PRO SE PROS LLC.
7 CLIENT HAS NEITHER SOUGHT, NOR RECEIVED, LEGAL ADVICE FROM PRO
8 SE PROS, LLC OR ANY OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES. CLIENT HEREBY
9 RELEASES AND FOREVER DISCHARGES PRO SE PROS LLC FROM ALL DEBTS,
10 DEMANDS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTIONS, SUITS, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, AND
11 LIABILITIES". This is a violation of NRS240A.240 (1) (h): Seek or obtain from a client
12 a waiver of any provision of this chapter. Any such waiver is contrary to public policy
13 and void." Your website and social media advertising, as previously noted, references
14 offering legal advice. Yet, the contract requires the client to agree that such advice was
15 not received.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Rosalinda Duncan, hereby certify that I am an employee of the State of Nevada, Office of the Secretary of State and that on the 16 day of Oct, 2020, I served a fully executed copy of the foregoing **CEASE AND DESIST ORDER** by delivering a copy of the same to department of general services for mailing addressed as follows:

Certified Mail Receipt No. 7019 2280 0002 0388 3627

Mark D. DiCiero
c/o PRO SE PROS, LLC
703 South 8th Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101



An employee of the Office of the Secretary of State