

October 8, 2017

To: District Attorney

My name is Mary Esther Correa and I am submitting this letter with information regarding my case about my duplex located at [redacted] in Fresno, CA. I would like to give a list of events and information that I feel strengthen my case and prove that the fines given to me by code enforcement were excessive.

- 1) I was injured in an automobile accident January 5, 2017 in Hawaii. My doctor of 15 years, Dr. Scott McCaffrey, did not approve me traveling back to California until March 20, 2017 due to my injuries. I submitted all my records and test to attorney Mark Castro upon his request.
- 2) Attorney Mark Castro requested a client intake form be filled out when I visited his office July 11, 2017 so that he could take my case and help me with my appeals against the fines on my property set forth code enforcement.
- 3) An inventory and condition report or apartment inspection report was conducted and filled in and signed by Brittany Pena on August 10, 2016 that everything was in good condition. She allowed homeless to squat and trash my property within a few months and paid no rent
- 4) I was told by code enforcement that a roof building permit was required for the two 4x4 patches that needed to be fixed from the removal of swamp coolers that were on the roof. I was originally told by Mr. Brian Leong that I did not need the permit for this size patch work. It is my understanding that 100 feet of roofing work is allowed before a permit is needed.
- 5) I have some photos and can give more upon request of the condition of my property.
- 6) I have had squatters on my property while I was away and have had my friend Risco, who is now deceased, serve eviction notices to them.
- 7) After months of submitting paperwork to attorney Mark Castro he is no longer representing me. He failed to submit my paperwork to start the process of defending my case. He then decided to run for city council of my district. I had agreed to help him with his campaign but have decided not to because of his lack of interest in truly helping the people of district 7.
- 8) I have a letter from the State Representative of Hawaii, Mr. Bob McDermott, and my real estate agent here in Fresno, Jose Mejia, both attesting to my character on a personal and professional level.

Code enforcement has fined me over \$13,000 dollars and put a tax lien on my property. I cannot afford to pay this fine on my limited income as a retired, disabled senior citizen. The last notice from the code enforcement was sent on September 27, 2017 and I have sent a \$20.00 dollar payment towards my fine for that is all I could afford to send. The unit at [redacted] was rented to Ms. Rosemarie Perez and her partner Joel in August of 2017 and by the beginning of September the unit was trashed and they were evicted. Shortly after their eviction code enforcement was called. All infractions were repaired and as of September 10, 2017 the unit at [redacted] passed inspection by section 8 and was rented to Ms. Mary Jaunqi.

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Thank You
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Mary Esther Correa