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Via Facsimile (916) 327-2247 and U.S. Mail

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Re: Connell v. Board of Equalization, Court of Appeal Case No. C061180

Dear Ms. Bowers,

As you know from our telephone conversation of this afternoon, William Connell is filing a Request for Dismissal of the above-referenced appeal. A service copy of that Request is enclosed. In filing this Request for Dismissal prior to performance of the terms of the settlement agreement, Mr. Connell is abandoning that agreement.

I appreciate your professional courtesy throughout this proceeding.

Very truly yours,

Herb Fox

Cc: Client
HF:dw

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION



Appeal Name: William Connell

Case ID: _____ ITEM #. _____

Date: 12/17/13

Exhibit No: 12.8

TP FTB DEPT (PUBLIC COMMENT)

SBOE /Attorney General/Governor/Senate/Assembly/State Controller

I wish to address the SBOE this afternoon to be certain that I and those other Veterans who are owed tax money, receive every penny.

The integrity of your office is at stake. To be sure, the longer it takes for you to return the tax money, which should have never been collected in the first place; is like adding insult to injury. Our State Constitution has a number, a threshold of \$200 or more then our high court steps in. I and all of the other Veterans have attained that \$200 threshold, an illegal taking. I request a fair settlement for myself and the other Veterans. If that cannot be reached by the SBOE, then you should advise the Attorney General, Jerry Brown to ask of our high courts one question: "What does the Veterans Tax Exemption of 1872 mean?" Does B & P Code 16102 on its face exempt the Veteran from any license, tax, or fee whatsoever whether City County or State? Senate Bill 809 signed into law in 2009 clarifies the existing 1872 statute. I have followed to the letter, the advice given to me by employees of the State to resolve this Veterans issue. I have advised my attorney to dismiss my appeal to the 3rd District Appellate Case# C061180. The Attorney General is well aware of my intention to dismiss. However, I will not be subject to Skullduggery, Tom Foolery or an openly unfair settlement offer of \$200 to \$5,000 to \$10,000. Those settlement offers are a joke! When over \$31,000 in illegally taken tax money plus interest, \$15,000 in legal fees and \$10,000 in out of pocket expenses are at stake, I expect all of that returned to me.

The other Veterans involve are also entitled to the return of all their illegally taken money. An administrative action that is require by this board is to void my previous board hearings, as untruthful, misleading and openly false information cannot be allowed as stated in your own Rules and Regulations and policies. Combine my tax case with those other Veterans cases and rehear as one, saving the State money. I request you do so now.

The issue is "what is fair?" I have been hesitant to involve the many Veterans groups, taxpayers action committees, the news media's both in print and on the air. Many years ago these Veterans Tax issues started when an employee of the SBOE could not read thus not understand the law correctly. The exemption issue is still not resolved today, because an employee of the State Attorney General's office cannot do addition correctly. Not being able to read not being able to do math is not a good government. It is beyond time to end this mess. Return to myself and the other veterans all that we have had illegally taken.

In closing there is no statute of limitation on the truth. Make this right. For God and country, let me get on with my life.

I openly state for the record, there will be no settlement with me, unless all other Veterans involved are returned their illegally taken tax money.

William M. Connell

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Member Santa Barbara Navy League

Member Vietnam Veterans Post 218

Member Veterans United For Truth