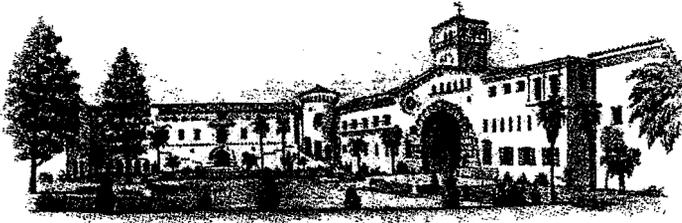


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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

June 20, 2011

Honorable Betty Yee
450 N Street, MIC: 71
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Board Member Yee,

I am contacting you on behalf of my constituent, Mr. William Connell, regarding his pursuit of retroactive tax repayments for being an honorably discharged and disabled veteran pursuant to the passage of SB 809 in 2009.

Mr. Connell worked with Senator Denham on the passage of SB 809 in the effort to address a nearly twenty year tax dispute he raised with the State Board of Equalization regarding Building and Professions Code Section 16102. While passage of SB 809 addressed most of these issues, there still remains the unresolved matter of retroactive repayment of previous taxes paid.

The issue at hand is that the original meaning of Section 16102, as adopted in 1893, provides an exemption for payment of any licenses, any taxes, or any fees for veterans who meet the specific criteria of this Code, and therefore any tax payments by qualified veterans were in error and should be retroactively refunded.

I appreciate your time and consideration and respectfully ask for your intervention in clarifying this outstanding remaining issue on behalf of Mr. Connell and other disabled veterans.

Sincerely,

Salud Carbajal
First District Supervisor

cc: William Connell

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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

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