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‘A false front’: The California agency failing to stop conservatorship abuses.

A CalMatters investigation finds the Professional Fiduciaries Bureau hasn't fulfilled its promise to protect Californians as the state's population ages.



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shall report Zabin to the California Professional Accountants Board, provide receipts and invoices, agents she hired, and comply with the rules of the Board.

16 41 On or about June 18, 2019, V. sent an email to the Bureau stating Respondent has
 17 been negligent in her duties as trustee and guarantor of his rent. Respondent failed to pay his rent
 18 on time on several occasions resulting in fines being charged for late payments. V. stated he would
 19 be served with a notice of eviction due to her failure to pay his rent on time. V. reported
 20 Respondent was "habitually being late in pay of bills" [sic] that included payments for his storage
 21 unit and car insurance. Respondent also stopped paying for his personal expenses, which left him
 22 to depend entirely on his social security income to survive. V. further stated that Respondent's
 23 negligence caused him to have most of his funds to cover repairs on his vehicle and although he
 24 maintained a valid driver's license and a valid vehicle registration, his car was not drivable.

PART 1. PERSONAL/BUSINESS INFORMATION
 NAME LAST: Zabin
 FIRST: Leyla
 BUSINESS NAME OR REGULATION NUMBER:
 SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:
 BUSINESS ADDRESS: (Physical address)

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Here's a screenshot example of redacted information available to the public to serve the public trust!

Yeah, right!

SECTION 2. REMOVAL	
Since the date of submission of your licensing application or of your last report to the Bureau, have you been removed as a fiduciary by a court for breach of trust?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO no pe
If YES, provide the following data associated with the removal for each specific case: (Attach additional sheets as needed.)	
SECTION 3. RESIGNATION	
Since the date of submission of your licensing application or of your last report to the Bureau, have you resigned as a fiduciary in a matter in which a complaint' has been filed with the court?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO no
If YES, provide the following data associated with the resignation for each specific case: (Attach additional sheets as needed.)	

The Professional Fiduciaries Bureau redacts most of the information on its members' annual statements, significantly limiting what it shares with the public. Illustration by Miguel Gutierrez Jr., CalMatters

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