

**THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY COMPLAINT FORM**

Read instructions before filling in this form.

Date February 24, 2011

- (1) Your name and address Silvia Burley, Chairwoman
California Valley Miwok Tribe, 10601 Escondido Place, Stockton, California 95212
- (2) Telephone number: Home (209) 931-4567 Work _____
- (3) The name, address and telephone number of the attorney(s) you are complaining about.
(See note below.)
Robert J. Uram, Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton, LLP, Four Embarcadero Center, 17th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111-4109 (415) 434-9108 (Office) (415) 434-3947 (Fax) ruram@sheppardmullin.com
- (4) Have you or a member of your family complained about this attorney(s) previously?
Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, please state to whom the previous complaint was made, its
approximate date and disposition.

- (5) Did you employ the attorney? Answer **Yes** or **No** and, if "**Yes**," give the approximate
date you employed the attorney(s) and the amount, if any, paid to the attorney(s).
NO.

- (6) If your answer to #5 above is "**No**," what is your connection with the attorney(s)? Explain
briefly.
Mr. Uram filed an intervention in a case in which our Tribe is plaintiff. He alleged that he represents
the California Valley Miwok Tribe. This is not true. He does not represent the Tribe or the Tribal Council.

(7) Include with this form (on a separate piece of paper) a statement of what the attorney(s) did or did not do which is the basis of your complaint. Please state the facts as you understand them. Do not include opinions or arguments. If you employed the attorney(s), state what you employed the attorney(s) to do. Sign and date each separate piece of paper. Additional information may be requested. (Attach copies of pertinent documents such as a copy of the fee agreement, cancelled checks or receipts and relevant correspondence.)

(8) If your complaint is about a lawsuit, answer the following, if known:

a. Name of court (For example, Superior or Municipal Court, and name of the county)
United States District Court, District of Columbia

b. Title of the suit (For example, Smith v. Jones).
The California Valley Miwok Tribe v. Ken Salazar and Larry Echo Hawk

c. Case number of the suit 1:11-CV-00160

d. Approximate date the suit was filed 01/24/2011

e. If you are not a party to this suit, what is your connection with it? Explain briefly.
I am the chairperson of the Tribal Council and the Tribal Representative for the tribe wrongfully
listed as plaintiff in this action

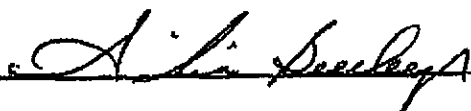
(9) Size of law firm complained about:

1 Attorney ____ 2 - 10 Attorneys ____ 11 + Attorneys X

Government Attorney ____ Unknown ____

NOTE: If you are complaining about more than one attorney, include the information requested in items #3 through #8. Use separate sheets if necessary.

Signature



Mail to:
Office of the Chief Trial Counsel/Intake
The State Bar of California
1149 South Hill Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-2299

**The State Bar of California
California Attorney Complaint Form**

(Addendum)

Filed by Silvia Burley, Chairwoman
California Valley Miwok Tribe

Against Robert J. Uram

Number 7: Statement of what the attorney did that is the basis of this complaint:

Mr. Uram filed a complaint in the United States District Court, District of Columbia, purporting to represent the California Valley Miwok Tribe as Plaintiffs. This complaint, which seeks judicial review of a recent decision made by Secretary of the Interior Larry Echo Hawk (attached hereto as Exhibit A), is filed in the name of the Tribe and the Tribal Council. This is a blatant misrepresentation because, as confirmed by Secretary Echo Hawk's decision, these attorneys do not represent the Tribe or the Tribal Council. Therefore, Mr. Uram fraudulently represented to a federal court that he and his firm represent the Tribe when they do not. In addition, Mr. Uram joined as counsel for Intervenor in a California case, again purporting to represent the Tribe. Mr. Uram did so more than a month after Secretary Echo Hawk's decision made clear who the Tribe was. As such, Mr. Uram is has also fraudulently represented himself before the state court of California.

EXHIBIT 3