

SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021

THE COURT MADE THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MISCELLANEOUS RECORD

M.R.030600 - In re: Jennifer Prager Sodaro. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Jennifer Prager Sodaro, who has been disciplined in the State of Arizona, is suspended from the practice of law in the State of Illinois for six (6) months and until she is reinstated to the practice of law in Arizona, followed by a term of probation subject to the conditions imposed upon respondent by the Supreme Court of Arizona, and continuing until her period of probation is successfully completed in Arizona.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Jennifer Prager Sodaro shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from her conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension/probation.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030656 - In re: Jeffrey P. White. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Jeffrey P. White, who has been disciplined in the State of Maine, is reprimanded and suspended from the practice of law in the State of Illinois for nine (9) months and until he is reinstated to the practice of law in Maine.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Jeffrey P. White shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030676 - In re: Hrant Norsigian, Jr. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed in part. Respondent Hrant Norsigian, Jr., who has been disciplined in the State of Missouri, is placed on probation in the State of Illinois for a period of twelve (12) months, *nunc pro tunc* to July 3, 2018, subject to the conditions imposed upon respondent by the Supreme Court of Missouri, and until he successfully completes the period of probation in the State of Missouri.

Motion by respondent, Hrant Norsigian, Jr. and request for a hearing on the Administrator's petition for reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Denied.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030694 - In re: Marie A. Durbin. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Marie A. Durbin, who has been disciplined in the State of Missouri, is suspended from the practice of law in the State of Illinois for one (1) year and until she is reinstated to the practice of law in Missouri.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Marie A. Durbin shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from her conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030702 - In re: Eric James Dale. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Eric James Dale, who has been disciplined in the State of Iowa, is reprimanded and suspended from the practice of law for sixty (60) days in the State of Illinois.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Eric James Dale shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030704 - In re: Howard Randolph Baker, Jr. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Howard Randolph Baker, Jr. is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year and until further order of the Court, with the suspension stayed in its entirety by a two (2) year period of probation subject to the following conditions:

- a. Respondent shall engage in regular and continuous treatment with Diane Pleasant, a mental health provider, and he shall comply with any and all treatment, medication and continuing care recommendations by Diane Pleasant and his primary care physician;
- b. Respondent shall provide the Administrator and Diane Pleasant with an appropriate release, authorizing his treating professionals to: (1) disclose to the Administrator information pertaining to the nature of respondent's compliance with any treatment plan established with respect to respondent's condition; (2) to promptly report to the Administrator respondent's failure to comply with any part of an established treatment plan; and (3) to respond to any inquiries by the Administrator regarding respondent's treatment and compliance with any established treatment plan;

- c. Respondent shall attend meetings as scheduled by the Commission probation officer. Respondent shall submit quarterly written reports to the Commission probation officer concerning the status of his practice of law and the nature and extent of his compliance with the conditions of probation;
- d. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and shall timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to his conduct;
- e. Respondent shall reimburse the Commission for the costs of this proceeding as defined in Supreme Court Rule 773, and shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation;
- f. At least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, respondent shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct;
- g. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change of address; and
- h. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining portion of the one (1) year period of suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any term of probation has been violated and shall continue until further order of the Court.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030708 - In re: Radford Reuben Raines, III. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Radford Reuben Raines III, who has been disciplined in the State of Missouri, is disbarred in the State of Illinois.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030709 - In re: John Thomas Sheets. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent John Thomas Sheets is suspended from the practice of law for thirty (30) days.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent John Thomas Sheets shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030711 - In re: Michael Lee Henneberry. Disciplinary Commission.

Motion by Matthew Lee Henneberry to strike his name from the roll of attorneys licensed to practice law in Illinois pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(a). Allowed. Effective immediately.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030721 - In re: Dwight White. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Dwight White is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years and until further order of the Court, with the suspension stayed after one (1) year by a three (3) year period of probation subject to the following conditions which are effective immediately:

- a. Respondent shall continue in his course of psychotherapy with his current licensed clinical therapist, or such other qualified mental health professional acceptable to the Administrator, and shall report to his current therapist, or such other qualified mental health professional, on a regular basis of not less than once per week as determined by the therapist, with the Administrator advised of any change in attendance deemed warranted by such professional;

- b. Respondent shall comply with any and all treatment and continuing care recommendations of his current therapist, or other treatment provider approved by the Administrator, including the taking of medications as prescribed;
- c. Respondent shall provide the Administrator and his current therapist or other treatment provider and treatment program(s) with an appropriate release, authorizing the treating professionals to: (1) disclose to the Administrator, on at least a quarterly basis, information pertaining to the nature of respondent's compliance with any treatment plan established with respect to respondent's condition; (2) to promptly report to the Administrator respondent's failure to comply with any part of an established treatment plan; and (3) to respond to any inquiries by the Administrator regarding respondent's treatment and compliance with any established treatment plan;
- d. Respondent shall attend meetings as scheduled by the Commission probation officer. Respondent shall submit quarterly written reports to the Commission probation officer concerning the status of his practice of law and the nature and extent of his compliance with the conditions of probation;
- e. Respondent's practice of law shall be supervised by a licensed attorney acceptable to the Administrator. Respondent shall notify the Administrator of the name and address of any and all attorneys with whom he establishes a supervisory relationship and shall provide notice to the Administrator of any change in supervising attorneys within fourteen (14) days of the change. Respondent shall authorize the supervising attorney to provide a report in writing to the Administrator no less than every three (3) months, regarding the nature of respondent's work, the number of cases being handled by respondent and the supervisor's general appraisal of the respondent's continued fitness to practice law;

- f. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and shall timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to his conduct;
- g. Respondent shall reimburse the Commission for the costs of this proceeding as defined in Supreme Court Rule 773 and shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation;
- h. At least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, respondent shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct;
- i. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within seven (7) days of any arrest or charge alleging his violation of any criminal or quasi-criminal statute or ordinance;
- j. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change of address; and
- k. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining portion of the two (2) year period of suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any term of probation has been violated and shall continue until further order of the Court.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030730 - In re: William Briskin Kohn. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent William Briskin Kohn is suspended from the practice of law for six (6) months, with the suspension stayed after ninety (90) days by a one (1) year period of probation subject to the following conditions:

- a. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and shall timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to his conduct;
- b. Respondent shall successfully complete the ARDC Professionalism Seminar within the first six (6) months of probation;
- c. Respondent shall, during the first thirty (30) days of his suspension, enroll in a law office management program acceptable to the Administrator and shall, upon enrollment, notify the Administrator in writing of the name of the attorney with whom respondent is assigned to work. Respondent shall successfully complete the law office management program prior to the end of the probation term. Through respondent's participation in the law office management program, respondent shall establish and utilize the following:
  1. A system for maintaining records as required by Supreme Court Rule 769;
  2. A diary and docketing system in accordance with the requirements established by the law office management program, including a mechanism by which approaching statutes of limitations and other filing deadlines are noted;
  3. A system by which telephone messages are recorded and telephone calls are returned in a timely manner;



4. A system by which written requests by clients for the status of their legal matters are answered, either orally or in writing, in a timely manner;
  5. A system whereby clients are apprised at the outset of representation of the basis upon which fees will be calculated and costs paid; and
  6. For cases in which the fee is to be calculated on an hourly basis, a system by which clients are provided with regular itemized billing statements provided at least quarterly, setting forth the services performed by respondent, the date upon which each service was performed, the time spent by respondent on each service, and the amount to be charged to the client;
- d. Respondent shall authorize the attorney assigned to work with him in the law office management program to:
1. Disclose to the Administrator on a quarterly basis, by way of signed reports, information pertaining to the nature of respondent's compliance with the law office management program and the above-described conditions;
  2. Promptly report to the Administrator respondent's failure to comply with any part of the above-described conditions; and
  3. Respond to any inquiries by the Administrator regarding respondent's compliance with the above-described conditions;
- e. Respondent shall attend meetings as scheduled by the Commission probation officer. Respondent shall submit quarterly written reports to the Commission probation officer concerning the status of his practice of law and the nature and extent of his compliance with the conditions of probation;

- f. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change of address;
- g. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within seven (7) days of any arrest or charge alleging his violation of any criminal or quasi-criminal statute or ordinance;
- h. At least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of his probation, respondent shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct;
- i. Respondent shall reimburse the Commission for the costs of this proceeding as defined in Supreme Court Rule 773 and, shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation; and
- j. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining portion of the six (6) month period of suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any term of probation has been violated.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030734 - In re: Nikola Duric. Disciplinary Commission.

Motion by respondent Nikola Duric for leave to file second additional supplement to respondent's reply to the Administrator's answer to respondent's PLE. Allowed.

Petition by respondent Nikola Duric for leave to file exceptions to the report and recommendation of the Review Board. Denied. Respondent Nikola Duric is disbarred, as recommended by the Review Board.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030741 - In re: John L. Allen. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent John L. Allen, who has been disciplined in the State of New Hampshire, is disbarred in the State of Illinois.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030743 - In re: Joseph C. Farwell. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Joseph C. Farwell is suspended from the practice of law for ninety (90) days.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Joseph C. Farwell shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030764 - In re: Shelby Kanarish. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. Allowed. Respondent Shelby Kanarish, who has been disciplined in the State of Arizona, is suspended from the practice of law in the State of Illinois for six (6) months and until he is reinstated to the practice of law in the State of Arizona.

Suspension effective June 8, 2021.

Respondent Shelby Kanarish shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.030775 - In re: Patrick J. O'Shea. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Patrick J. O'Shea is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year and until further order of the Court.

Order entered by the Court.

Anne M. Burke, C.J. took no part.  
Michael J. Burke, J. took no part.