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INTRODUCTION

This is a two-year report on lawyer discipline in New York State for the years 2003 and 2004. Each section of the report, one for each year, is divided into three parts. Each part is intended to explain a different aspect of the disciplinary system.

Although each part of our report is complete and self-contained, by way of introduction we offer a summary of the report's various parts and a brief overview of the report as a whole so that the reader can better understand how these parts relate to each other.

In general, our report is intended to serve a dual purpose. It is, in one sense, a compilation of data, reflecting the immediate past in relation to the last ten years. It is also an expression of our hope for progress in the future development of professional discipline as a constructive means for regulating the practice of law.

PART I

The first part contains a statistical compilation of all disciplinary matters processed in New York State during 2003 and 2004 and includes three tables. The last two of these tables compare disciplinary activity over the preceding ten years.

To those unfamiliar with the nomenclature of professional discipline in New York State, some of the terms used in the tables may be confusing. The practice has been initially to consider each intended complaint of misconduct or supposed cause for investigation as an "inquiry." When it appears that the "inquiry" does not allege conduct, which, even if true, would constitute professional misconduct, it is rejected for "failure to state a complaint." Otherwise, where a cognizable complaint has been alleged, the file is assigned for investigation.

All inquiries in the form of a written complaint that come to the attention of a disciplinary committee, whether or not subsequently dismissed for "failure to state a complaint," are deemed "matters" for reporting purposes. Simple requests for information about an attorney's conduct or telephonic accusations are not reported as "matters." Often several "matters" will involve the same attorney; and all matters involving that attorney which are considered simultaneously will be deemed one "case."

The disciplinary procedures employed vary in some respects among the Understandably, four Departments. some of the terminology used to describe those differing procedures will also vary. Often the same procedures will be described differently by the various Departments of the Appellate Division and even functionally equivalent agencies of discipline will be known by different names. In the First Department, we refer to the "Departmental Disciplinary Committee" as the principal agency of professional discipline; in the Third Department, its functional equivalent is known as the "Committee on Professional Standards"; in the Second and Fourth Departments, there are three district "Grievance Committees" which serve as the principal agencies of discipline in each of those two Departments.

The multiplicity of disciplinary committees operating throughout the State results in each committee receiving

a substantial number of inquiries and complaints that fall within the jurisdiction of other committees and which must then be referred out. Sometimes this is a consequence of the complainant having chosen the wrong forum; other times it is as a consequence of judicial policy requiring official staff review of all complaints relating to attorney conduct. For example, in the Second and Fourth Departments, all complaints received by county bar association grievance committees (with the sole exception of those received by one association in the Fourth Department) are routinely referred to the professional staff of one of the district grievance committees. Even if the complaint appears to be nothing more than a fee dispute, by court rule in these Departments, a policy has been established to refer all inquiries to the district grievance committee's professional staff. Upon review, the district grievance committee, in turn, will refer a large portion of these matters to county bar association committees for further processing and investigation. Often a matter that was initially referred to the district committee will be referred. back to the same county bar association. Such matters would be reported by the district committee as both "new matters received" and "referred to other disciplinary committees."

The statistics from the Second Department represent the total number of actions taken by the various court-appointed district committees and include the reports of county bar association grievance committees. The reports of the district committees, as well as those of the local bar association committees (including the respective grievance committees of the Brooklyn,

Queens, Richmond, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland and Westchester Bar Associations), are separately reproduced. In the Tenth Judicial District, the grievance committees of the Nassau and Suffolk County Bar Associations only investigate so-called "minor complaints" and then report them to the district committee which makes the ultimate disposition. Such matters, although for the most part processed by the local bar association committees, are incorporated in the report of the district committee.

In the Third Department, relatively few matters are processed by local bar associations. It is estimated that less than 10% of the total number of matters are handled by such associations. However, no statistics are available that separately reflect such bar association activity.

Finally, in the Fourth Department, a substantial number of so-called "minor complaints" are processed by local bar associations. The local processing of such matters is included, without differentiation, in the statistics furnished by the district committees.

PART II

The second part of this report summarizes all disciplinary decisions published by the four departments of the Appellate Division during 2003 and 2004. Although these decisions are important in terms of expressing the judiciary's treatment of serious misconduct, it should be remembered that they represent only a small portion of the matters which pass through the disciplinary system each year, and that most cases which involve some form of profession-

al misconduct are not referred to the courts for imposition of discipline.

The lists of cases contained in this part are intended to summarize the disciplinary decisions issued by the four departments of the Appellate Division during the year just ended. There are eight lists, one for each of the official agencies of discipline. Each list is divided into three columns. The first column contains the respondent's name and, where available, the citation; the second column contains a brief statement of the action taken by the court; and the last column summarizes the charges, where relevant to the proceedings.

As with all summaries, the need to condense a large body of information results in a loss of substantial detail. Accordingly, the reader who is interested in obtaining information about a particular case or respondent is cautioned not to rely on the summary presentation contained in these lists. Instead, such reader is urged to refer to the full text of the court's decision.

PART III

The third and last part of this report contains various data on the organization of the State's eight official agencies of discipline. It sets forth the names and titles of the professional disciplinary staff and their respective volunteer committee members in each of the eight official disciplinary agencies of the State. An Appendix sets forth the disciplinary budget appropriations for fiscal 2003-2004 and the salaries of disciplinary staff.

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

In reviewing these statistics, the reader is urged to consider the number of complaints processed in the course of a year as against the resources and personnel available to do the job. The tables contained in Part I of this report reveal that over 15,000 complaints were processed in each year.

Available to do the job were less than 400 staff members and volunteers. It is to them, in recognition of their unflagging devotion to their duties, that this report is respectfully dedicated.



Disciplinary Statistics 2004 Tables

Table 1 **Appellate Division** January 1, 2004-December 31, 2004

| | MATTERC PROCECED.1 | 1st Dept. | 2 nd Dept. | 3 rd Dept. | 4 th Dept. | Total |
|-----|---|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| I. | MATTERS PROCESSED: ¹ | | | | | |
| | Pending at start of period | 1346 | 2704 | 1513 | 649 | 6212 |
| | New matters received ² | 3670 | 6220 | 1705 | 2269 | 13864 |
| | Matters disposed of | 3778 | 6488 | 1595 | 2253 | 14114 |
| | Pending at end of period | 1238 | 2436 | 1623 | 665 | 5962 |
| II. | COMMITTEE DISPOSITIONS: | | | | | |
| | Rejected for failing to state complaint | 876 | 2690 | 886 | 872 | 5324 |
| | Referred to other agencies ³ | 465 | 1444 | 95 | 197 | 2201 |
| | Dismissed or withdrawn | 2095 | 1254 | 346 | 837 | 4532 |
| | Dismissed through mediation | 22 | 114 | 0 | 0 | 136 |
| | Letters of caution (education) | N/A | 238 | 44 | 191 | 473 |
| | Letters of admonition | 95 | 184 | 21 | 28 | 328 |
| | Admonition or reprimand | 7 | 3 | 23 | N/A | 33 |
| | Referred to court | 218 | 278 | 177 | 128 | 801 |
| | Other | 0 | 283 | 0 | 0 | 283 |
| III | CASES PROCESSED IN COURTS ⁴ | | | | | |
| | Cases pending at start of period | 29 | 130 | 30 | 68 | 257 |
| | Cases received | 131 | 209 | 143 | 66 | 549 |
| | CASES CLOSED | | | | | |
| | Disbarred | 23 | 25 | 3 | 6 | 57 |
| | Resigned | 5 | 23 | 1 | 4 | 33 |
| | Suspended | 24 | 24 | 22 | 8 | 78 |
| | Censured | 7 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 19 |
| | Privately censured | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| | Remanded to grievance committee | 11 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 15 |
| | Discontinued | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| | Dismissed | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| | Reinstatements granted | 10 | 11 | 10 | 7 | 38 |
| | Reinstatements denied | 7 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 17 |
| | Other | 27 | 101 | 96 | 30 | 254 |
| | TOTAL CLOSED: | 122 | 199 | 139 | 63 | 523 |
| | TOTAL PENDING: | 38 | 166 | 34 | 71 | 309 |

²

[&]quot;Matters" refers to the number of complaints, not attorneys.
Includes complaints received and old matters reactivated.
Includes matters referred to other disciplinary committees and to other agencies.
"Cases" refers to the number of attorneys, not complaints. 3



Table 2

| | New Matters* | Matters Closed* | Disciplinary Action | Disciplinary Action |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | | By Committees | by Court |
| 1st Department | | | | |
| 1995 | 3227 | 3120 | 111 | 74 |
| 1996 | 3399 | 3263 | 101 | 94 |
| 1990 | 3953 | | 117 | 81 |
| | | 3964 | | |
| 1998 | 4797 | 5087 | 100 | 91 |
| 1999 | 4143 | 3742 | 76 | 92 • - |
| 2000 | 3004 | 2870 | 63 | 65 |
| 2001 | 2987 | 2587 | 55 | 57 |
| 2002 | 3123 | 3785 | 134 | 55 |
| 2003 | 3133 | 3218 | 88 | 63 |
| 2004 | 3205 | 3313 | 102 | 63 |
| 2 nd Department | | | | |
| 1995 | 4202 | 4360 | 444 | 99 |
| 1996 | 4715 | 4570 | 442 | 102 |
| 1997 | 5772 | 5130 | 442 | 102 |
| 1998 | 4712 | 5306 | 662 | 106 |
| 1999 | 4557 | 4759 | 518 | 107 |
| 2000 | 4032 | 4287 | 395 | 107 |
| 2001 | 4519 | 4650 | 404 | 97 |
| 2002 | 4981 | 4944 | 458 | 98 |
| 2003 | 5928 | 5357 | 445 | 85 |
| 2003 | 4776 | 5044 | 425 | 78 |
| 2004 | 4770 | 3044 | 423 | 70 |
| 3 rd Department | | | | |
| 1995 | 1367 | 1434 | 147 | 62 |
| 1996 | 1413 | 1406 | 178 | 24 |
| 1997 | 1388 | 1437 | 203 | 30 |
| 1998 | 1795 | 1600 | 173 | 36 |
| 1999 | 1792 | 1602 | 172 | 28 |
| 2000 | 1588 | 1673 | 239 | 41 |
| 2001 | 1846 | 1548 | 223 | 42 |
| 2002 | 1930 | 1559 | 186 | 30 |
| 2003 | 1579 | 1608 | 141 | 28 |
| 2004 | 1610 | 1500 | 88 | 29 |
| 2004 | 1010 | 1500 | 00 | Δ) |
| 4 th Department | | | | |
| 1995 | 1815 | 1802 | 178 | 29 |
| 1996 | 1704 | 1906 | 159 | 38 |
| 1997 | 2262 | 1967 | 196 | 18 |
| 1998 | 2224 | 2208 | 200 | 19 |
| 1999 | 2078 | 2084 | 222 | 17 |
| 2000 | 2077 | 2112 | 221 | 23 |
| 2001 | 2206 | 2100 | 283 | 33 |
| 2002 | 2082 | 2084 | 316 | 26 |
| 2003 | 2125 | 2059 | 235 | 28 |
| 2004 | 2072 | 2056 | 219 | 21 |
| 2001 | 2012 | 2000 | 217 | 41 |

* These figures are reduced by the number of complaints referred to other committees for action.

| Statewide | | | | |
|-----------|-------|-------|------|-----|
| 1995 | 10611 | 10716 | 880 | 264 |
| 1996 | 11231 | 11145 | 950 | 252 |
| 1997 | 13375 | 12498 | 958 | 231 |
| 1998 | 13528 | 14201 | 1135 | 252 |
| 1999 | 12570 | 12187 | 988 | 244 |
| 2000 | 10701 | 10942 | 918 | 236 |
| 2001 | 11558 | 10885 | 965 | 229 |
| 2002 | 12142 | 12372 | 1094 | 209 |
| 2003 | 12765 | 12242 | 909 | 204 |
| 2004 | 11663 | 11913 | 834 | 189 |

Table 3

| | New Matters [*] | Matters Closed* | Disciplinary Action By Committees | Disciplinary Action by Court |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Departmental Disc | iplinary Committe | e for the First Depa | artment | |
| 1995 | 3227 | 3120 | 111 | 74 |
| 1996 | 3399 | 3263 | 101 | 94 |
| 1997 | 3953 | 3964 | 117 | 81 |
| 1998 | 4797 | 5087 | 100 | 91 |
| 1999 | 4143 | 3742 | 76 | 92 |
| 2000 | 3004 | 2870 | 63 | 65 |
| 2001 | 2987 | 2587 | 55 | 57 |
| 2002 | 3123 | 3785 | 134 | 55 |
| 2003 | 3133 | 3218 | 88 | 63 |
| 2004 | 3205 | 3313 | 102 | 63 |
| Grievance Committe | ee for the Second a | ınd Eleventh Judici | al Districts, Second De | epartment |
| 1995 | 1333 | 1369 | 191 | 52 |
| 1996 | 1436 | 1483 | 246 | 37 |
| 1997 | 1653 | 1533 | 211 | 31 |
| 1998 | 1517 | 1586 | 346 | 31 |
| 1999 | 1502 | 1304 | 226 | 19 |
| 2000 | 1361 | 1402 | 152 | 25 |
| 2001 | 1575 | 1620 | 155 | 44 |
| 2002 | 1609 | 1761 | 212 | 42 |
| 2003 | 2076 | 1966 | 181 | 38 |
| 2004 | 1659 | 1748 | 150 | 37 |
| Grievance Committe | ee for the Ninth Ju | dicial District, Seco | ond Department | |
| 1995 | 888 | 1003 | 118 | 17 |
| 1996 | 919 | 896 | 79 | 33 |
| 1997 | 1391 | 1175 | 110 | 37 |
| 1998 | 1116 | 1171 | 136 | 33 |
| 1999** | 1081 | 1070 | 90 | 39 |
| 2000 | 937 | 963 | 100 | 36 |
| 2001 | 836 | 852 | 90 | 22 |
| 2002 | 1303 | 1104 | 120 | 26 |
| 2003 | 1159 | 1137 | 140 | 26 |
| 2004 | 930 | 914 | 134 | 21 |
| Grievance Committe | ee for the Tenth Ju | dicial District, Seco | ond Department | |
| 1995 | 1969 | 2002 | 135 | 30 |
| 1996 | 2360 | 2191 | 117 | 32 |
| 1997 | 2728 | 2422 | 121 | 34 |
| 1998 | 2079 | 2548 | 140 | 44 |
| 1999 | 2070 | 2385 | 187 | 49 |
| 2000 | 1734 | 1922 | 143 | 46 |
| 2001 | 2108 | 2178 | 159 | 31 |
| 2002 | 2069 | 2079 | 126 | 30 |
| 2003 | 2693 | 2254 | 144 | 21 |
| 2004 | 2187 | 2382 | 141 | 23 |

* These figures are reduced by the number of complaints referred to other committees for action.

| Committee on Pr | rofessional Standard | s, Third Department | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----|
| 1995 | 1367 | 1434 | 147 | 62 |
| 1996 | 1413 | 1406 | 178 | 24 |
| 1997 | 1388 | 1437 | 203 | 30 |
| 1998 | 1795 | 1600 | 173 | 36 |
| 1999 | 1792 | 1602 | 172 | 28 |
| 2000 | 1588 | 1673 | 239 | 41 |
| 2001 | 1846 | 1548 | 223 | 42 |
| 2002 | 1930 | 1559 | 186 | 30 |
| 2003 | 1579 | 1608 | 141 | 28 |
| 2004 | 1610 | 1500 | 88 | 29 |
| Grievance Comn | nittee for the Fifth Ju | dicial District. Fourt | h Department | |
| 1995 | 415 | 366 | 24 | 11 |
| 1996 | 412 | 513 | 48 | 6 |
| 1997 | 533 | 468 | 28 | 6 |
| 1998 | 644 | 650 | 39 | 3 |
| 1999 | 618 | 597 | 43 | 2 |
| 2000 | 576 | 600 | 37 | 8 |
| 2001 | 598 | 603 | 101 | 7 |
| 2002 | 574 | 546 | 84 | 4 |
| 2003 | 527 | 521 | 65 | 5 |
| 2004 | 520 | 521 | 39 | 5 |
| Grievance Comn | nittee for the Seventl | n Indicial District Fo | urth Department | |
| 1995 | 601 | 630 | 52 | 6 |
| 1996 | 536 | 575 | 53 | 11 |
| 1997 | 716 | 645 | 64 | 3 |
| 1998 | 591 | 608 | 47 | 4 |
| 1999 | 529 | 566 | 36 | 4 |
| 2000 | 578 | 562 | 39 | 7 |
| 2001 | 564 | 534 | 48 | 12 |
| 2002 | 589 | 573 | 65 | 11 |
| 2003 | 626 | 608 | 51 | 7 |
| 2004 | 654 | 639 | 51 | 8 |
| Grievance Comn | nittee for the Eighth | Iudicial District, Fou | rth Department | |
| 1995 | 799 | 806 | 102 | 12 |
| 1996 | 756 | 820 | 128 | 15 |
| 1997 | 913 | 854 | 104 | 9 |
| 1998 | 989 | 942 | 114 | 12 |
| 1999 | 931 | 921 | 143 | 11 |
| 2000 | 923 | 950 | 145 | 8 |
| 2001 | 1044 | 963 | 134 | 14 |
| 2002 | 919 | 965 | 167 | 11 |
| 2003 | 972 | 930 | 119 | 16 |
| 2004 | 898 | 896 | 129 | 8 |
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Statistical Reports of Disciplinary Committees

Departmental Disciplinary Committee for the First Department

I. Matters Processed¹

| | A. B. C. D. E. F. | Matters Pending at Start of Period New Matters Received During Period Closed Matters Reactivated During Period Total Matters to be Processed During Period Total Matters Disposed of During Period Matters Pending at Close of Period | 1346 3612 58 | 5016 3778 1238 |
|------|--|---|--|--|
| II. | Matte | rs Disposed of by Committee | CASES | MATTERS |
| | A. B. C. D. E. F. G. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees/Agencies Dismissed Dismissed Through Mediation Letter of Admonition Reprimand After Hearing Referred to Appellate Division Total Disposed of During Period | 831 461 2041 22 89 4 104 3552 | 876 465 2095 22 95 7 218 3778 |
| III. | Cases | Processed by Court | | |
| | A. | Cases Pending at Start of Period 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 2. Other | 29 24 5 | |
| | В. | Cases Received During Period Disciplinary Proceedings Other | 131 79 52 | |
| | C. D. | Total to be Processed During Period Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 2. Resigned 3. Suspended 4. Censured 5. Privately Censured 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 7. Discontinued 8. Dismissed 9. Reinstatements Granted 10. Reinstatements Denied 11. All Other Dispositions 12. Total Closed | 160 23 5 24 ² 7 2 11 5 1 10 7 27 122 | |
| | E. | Cases Pending at Close of Period 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 2. Other | 38 28 10 | |

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For purposes of this report, "Matters" represents the number of complaints and sua sponte investigations, while "Cases" refers to the number of respondent-attorneys against whom proceedings have been instituted or action has been taken. As some attorneys are the subject of multiple complaints, the number of matters exceeds the number of cases.

Includes 9 definite, 15 interim and 0 indefinite suspensions.

Grievance Committee for the Second and Eleventh Judicial Districts, Second Department

| I. Matters P | rocessed |
|--------------|----------|
|--------------|----------|

| | A. B. C. D. E. F. | Matters Pending at Start of Period New Matters Received During Period Closed Matters Reactivated During Period Total Matters to be Processed During Period Total Matters Disposed of During Period Matters Pending at Close of Period | 671 2327 40 | 3038 2456 582 |
|------|----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| II. | Matte | ers Disposed of by Committee | CASES | MATTERS |
| | A. B. C. D. E. F G. H. I. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees/Agencies Dismissed or Withdrawn* Referred to Mediation Letter of Caution Letter of Admonition Reprimand After Hearing Referred to Appellate Division Closed Pending Litigation Other | 1183 708 325 20 85 44 0 35 5 | 1183 708 325 20 88 62 0 65 5 |
| | K. | Total Disposed of During Period | 2405 | 2456 |
| III. | Cases | s Processed by Court | | |
| | A. B. | Cases Pending at Start of Period 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 2. Other Cases Received During Period 1. Disciplinary Proceedings | 45 28 17 66 35 | 56 39 17 96 65 |
| | C. | 2. Other Total to be Processed During Period | 31 111 | 31 152 |
| | D. | Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 2. Resigned 3. Suspended 4. Censured 5. Privately Censured 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 7. Discontinued 8. Dismissed 9. Reinstatements Granted 10. Reinstatements Denied 11. Non-Disciplinary Resignations 12. All Other Dispositions 13. Total Closed | 12 3 18 1 0 0 0 0 5 4 25 10 78 | 12 6 18 1 0 0 0 0 5 4 25 10 89 |
| | E. | Cases Pending at Close of Period 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 2. Other | 59 37 22 | 89 67 22 |

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Includes "Dismissals with Advisements."

Brooklyn Bar Association Grievance Committee

| Total Complaints Received Dismissed Withdrawn Resolved between attorney and client Complaints Pending Arbitration Complaints Received Resolved between attorney and client Resolved by arbitration Resolved by court | 110 72 6 2 30 4 1 0 |
|--|---|
| Attorneys declined arbitration Closed/Withdrawn Pending | 0 0 3 |
| Mediation Complaints Received Withdrawn Returned to Grievance Committee Resolved between attorney and complainant Resolved at mediation hearing Complainant failed to appear Attorney failed to appear Files scheduled to next hearing date | 10 2 2 0 3 1 0 |
| Queens County Bar Association Grievance Committee Dismissed Dismissed with Advisement Letter of Caution Letter of Admonition Referred to District Grievance Committee Resolved | 58 1 3 0 8 0 |
| Withdrawn Tabled Fee Disputes Committee No Consent from Respondent No Consent from Complainant Matter Settled Prior to Arbitration No Response from Either Complainant or Respondent Declination of Arbitration by Complainant/Respondent Withdrawn by complainant Decisions by committee Pending | 2 5 0 4 0 2 2 2 0 4 1 |

Grievance Committee for the Ninth Judicial District, Second Department

I. **Matters Processed** Matters Pending at Start of Period 714 A. New Matters Received During Period 1401 В. C. Closed Matters Reactivated During Period 12 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 2127 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 1397 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 730 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** A. Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint 374 В. Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees 412 C. Referred to Other Agencies 71 Dismissed or Withdrawn D. 318 E. Letter of Caution 71 F. Letter of Admonition 61 G. 2 Reprimand After Hearing Referred to Appellate Division H. 34 88 I. Total Disposed of During Period 1397 III. Cases Processed by Court A. Cases Pending at Start of Period 23 40 Disciplinary Proceedings 23 Other 2. 0 Cases Received During Period В. Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 34 88 2. Other 0 C. Total to be Processed During Period 57 128 D. Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 6 10 2. Resigned 8 39 Suspended 3. 9 4 5 4. Censured 3 5. 0 Privately Censured 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 0 7. Discontinued 0 Dismissed 0 8. 9. Reinstatements Granted 0 10. Reinstatements Denied 1 1 11. All Other Dispositions 13 13 12. **Total Closed** 35 77 E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 22 Disciplinary Proceedings 22 51 1.

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Other

Dutchess County Bar Association Grievance Committee

Second Department, Ninth Judicial District

| I. | Matt | ters Processed | |
|------|------|--|----|
| | A. | Matters Pending at Start of Period | 6 |
| | В. | New Matters Received During Period | 28 |
| | C. | Closed Matters Reactivated During Period | 0 |
| | D. | Total Matters to be Processed During Period | 34 |
| | E. | Total Matters Disposed of During Period | 9 |
| | F. | Matters Pending at Close of Period | 25 |
| II. | Matt | ters Disposed of by Committee | |
| | A. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint | 0 |
| | В. | Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees | 0 |
| | C. | Referred to Other Agencies | 0 |
| | D. | Dismissed | 9 |
| | E. | Dismissed with Cautionary Language | 0 |
| | F. | Letter of Caution | 0 |
| | G. | Letter of Admonition | 0 |
| | H. | Reprimand | 0 |
| | I. | Total Disposed of During Period | 9 |
| Seco | _ | artment, Ninth Judicial District ters Processed | |
| | A. | Matters Pending at Start of Period | 9 |
| | В. | New Matters Received During Period | 29 |
| | C. | Closed Matters Reactivated During Period | 1 |
| | D. | Total Matters to be Processed During Period | 39 |
| | E. | Total Matters Disposed of During Period | 26 |
| | F. | Matters Pending at Close of Period | 13 |
| II. | Matt | ters Disposed of by Committee | |
| | A. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint | 0 |
| | В. | Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees | 0 |
| | C. | Referred to Other Agencies | 0 |
| | D. | Dismissed | 21 |
| | E. | Dismissed with Cautionary Language | 3 |
| | F. | Letter of Caution | 0 |
| | G. | Letter of Admonition | 2 |
| | H. | Reprimand | 0 |
| | I. | Total Disposed of During Period | 26 |

Putnam County Bar Association Grievance Committee

Second Department, Ninth Judicial District

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|-----|----------------------------------|--|-------|--|--|--|
| I. | Matters Processed | | | | | |
| | A. | Matters Pending at Start of Period | 2 | | | |
| | В. С. | New Matters Received During Period | 8 | | | |
| | D. | Closed Matters Reactivated During Period Total Matters to be Processed During Period | 10 | | | |
| | Б. Е. | Total Matters Disposed of During Period | 7 | | | |
| | F. | Matters Pending at Close of Period | 3 | | | |
| II. | Matters Disposed of by Committee | | | | | |
| | A. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint | 0 | | | |
| | В. | Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees | 1 | | | |
| | C. | Referred to Other Agencies | 0 | | | |
| | D. | Dismissed | 5 | | | |
| | Е. | Dismissed with Cautionary Language | 1 | | | |
| | F. G. | Letter of Caution | 0 | | | |
| | G. Н. | Letter of Admonition | 0 | | | |
| | I. | Reprimand Total Disposed of During Period | 7 | | | |
| | | County Bar Association Grievance Committee | | | | |
| I. | • | Matters Processed | | | | |
| | A. | Matters Pending at Start of Period | 9 | | | |
| | В. | New Matters Received During Period | 36 | | | |
| | C. | Closed Matters Reactivated During Period | 0 | | | |
| | D. | Total Matters to be Processed During Period | 45 | | | |
| | E. | Total Matters Disposed of During Period | 32 | | | |
| | F. | Matters Pending at Close of Period | 13 | | | |
| II. | Matters Disposed of by Committee | | | | | |
| | Α. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint | 0 | | | |
| | В. | Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees | 4^* | | | |
| | C. | Referred to Other Agencies | 0 | | | |
| | D. | Dismissed | 15 | | | |

Dismissed with Cautionary Language

Total Disposed of During Period

* Referred to Ninth District Committee.

Letter of Caution

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Westchester County Bar Association Grievance Committee

Second Department, Ninth Judicial District

| I. | Matters | Processed |
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| | Matters Den din and Claute (Denie 4 | 110 |
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| Α. | Matters Pending at Start of Period | 112 |
| В. | New Matters Received During Period | 127 |
| C. | Closed Matters Reactivated During Period | 0 |
| D. | Total Matters to be Processed During Period | 239 |
| E. | Total Matters Disposed of During Period | 178 |
| F. | Matters Pending at Close of Period | 61 |
| Matt | ers Disposed of by Committee | |
| A. | Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint | 0 |
| В. | Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees | 0 |
| C. | Referred to Other Agencies | 0 |
| D. | Dismissed | 175 |
| E. | Dismissed with Cautionary Language | 1 |
| F. | Letter of Caution | 2 |
| G. | Letter of Admonition | 0 |
| H. | Reprimand | 0 |
| I. | Withdrawn | 0 |
| J. | Total Disposed of During Period | 178 |

Grievance Committee for the Tenth Judicial District, Second Department

I. **Matters Processed** A. Matters Pending at Start of Period 1319 New Matters Received During Period В. 2414 C. Closed Matters Reactivated During Period 26 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 3759 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 2635 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 1124 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** A. Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint 1133 1133 В. Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees 143 143 C. Referred to Other Agencies 110 110 D. Dismissed or Withdrawn 611 611 E. Dismissed through Mediation 94 94 F. Letter of Caution 79 63 G. Letter of Admonition 44 61 Reprimand After Hearing H. 1 1 Referred to Appellate Division 96 I. 125 J. 278 278 K. Total Disposed of During Period 2573 2635 III. Cases Processed by Court A. Cases Pending at Start of Period 62 119 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 19 76 Other 2. 43 43 Cases Received During Period В. 109 142 Disciplinary Proceedings 38 71 1. 2. Other 71 71 C. Total to be Processed During Period 171 261 D. Cases Closed 7 1. Disbarred 22 2. Resigned 12 44 3. Suspended 2 8 2 4. Censured 3 5. Privately Censured 0 0 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 1 1 7. Discontinued 1 1 8. Dismissed 0 0 9. Reinstatements Granted 6 6 10. Reinstatements Denied 2 2 11. Non-disciplinary Resignations 31 31 11. All Other Dispositions 22 22 12. **Total Closed** 86 86 E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 85 121 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 31 67 2. Other 54 54

Nassau County Bar Association Second Department, Tenth Judicial District

| A. | Cases Referred to Grievance Committee | 70 |
|------|---|-----|
| B. | Cases Referred to Mediation | 76 |
| | Total Cases Referred: | 146 |
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| | Folk County Bar Association ond Department, Tenth Judicial District | |
| A. | Cases Referred to Grievance Committee | 87 |
| B. | Cases Referred to Mediation | 34 |
| | Total Cases Referred | 121 |
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| Tota | 267 | |

Committee on Professional Standards, Third Department (Third, Fourth and Sixth Judicial Districts)

I. **Matters Processed** Matters Pending at Start of Period 1513 A. New Matters Received During Period В. 1626 C. Closed Matters Reactivated During Period 79 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 3218 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 1595 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 1623 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint A. 851 886 В. Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees 65 65 C. Referred to Other Agencies 30 30 Dismissed or Withdrawn D. 332 346 E. Dismissed Through Mediation 0 0 F. Letter of Caution 44 44 G. Letter of Admonition 21 21 H. Reprimand After Hearing 15 23 I. Referred to Appellate Division 137 177 J. Total Disposed of During Period 1495 1595 III. Cases Processed by Court Cases Pending at Start of Period 30 A. 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 29 2. Other 1 Cases Received During Period В. 143 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 81 2. Other 62 C. Total to be Processed During Period 173 Cases Closed D. 1. Disbarred 3 2. Resigned 1 3. Suspended 22 4. Censured 3 5. Privately Censured 0 Remanded to Grievance Committee 1 6. 7. Discontinued 0 8. Dismissed 1 9. Reinstatements Granted 10 10. Reinstatements Denied 2 Non-Disciplinary Resignations 11. 54 12. All Other Dispositions 42 13. Total Closed 139 E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 34 1. Disciplinary Proceedings 34

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Grievance Committee for the Fifth Judicial District, Fourth Department

I. **Matters Processed** A. Matters Pending at Start of Period 146 В. New Matters Received During Period 569 C. Closed Matters Reactivated During Period 15 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 730 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 585 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 145 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint A. 254 269 Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees В. 58 58 Referred to Other Agencies C. 6 6 D. Dismissed or Withdrawn 191 168 E. Dismissed Through Mediation 0 0 F. Letter of Caution 26 31 G. Letter of Admonition 8 4 H. Reprimand After Hearing N/A N/A Referred to Appellate Division I. 22 11 Total Disposed of During Period J. **Cases Processed by Court** III. A. Cases Pending at Start of Period 1 Disciplinary Proceedings 0 Other 2. 1 В. Cases Received During Period 11 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 7 2. Other 4 C. Total to be Processed During Period 12 D. Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 2 2. Resigned 0 3. Suspended 2 Censured 1 4. 5. Privately Censured 0 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 0 7. Discontinued 0 8. Dismissed 0 9. Reinstatements Granted 2 10. Reinstatements Denied 0 Non-Disciplinary Resignations 0 11. 11. All Other Dispositions 2 **Total Closed** 9 12. E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 3 Disciplinary Proceedings 3 1. 2. Other

Grievance Committee for the Seventh Judicial District, Fourth Department

I. **Matters Processed** A. Matters Pending at Start of Period 160 В. New Matters Received During Period 734 Closed Matters Reactivated During Period C. 24 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 918 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 743 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 175 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** A. Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint 261 297 Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees В. 99 99 Referred to Other Agencies C. 5 5 D. Dismissed or Withdrawn 226 268 E. Dismissed Through Mediation 0 0 F. Letter of Caution 39 45 G. Letter of Admonition 5 6 H. Reprimand After Hearing N/A N/A Referred to Appellate Division I. 23 12 Total Disposed of During Period J. 647 743 III. **Cases Processed by Court** A. Cases Pending at Start of Period 12 Disciplinary Proceedings 10 Other 2. 2 В. Cases Received During Period 12 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 7 2. Other 5 C. Total to be Processed During Period 24 D. Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 3 2. Resigned 1 3. Suspended 3 Censured 1 4. 5. Privately Censured 0 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 1 7. Discontinued 2 0 8. Dismissed 9. Reinstatements Granted 1 10. Reinstatements Denied 0 Non-Disciplinary Resignations 2 11. 12. All Other Dispositions 3 **Total Closed** 17 13. E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 7 Disciplinary Proceedings 7 1. 2. Other

Grievance Committee for the Eighth Judicial District, Fourth Department

I. **Matters Processed** Matters Pending at Start of Period 343 A. В. New Matters Received During Period 853 C. Closed Matters Reactivated During Period 74 D. Total Matters to be Processed During Period 1270 E. Total Matters Disposed of During Period 925 F. Matters Pending at Close of Period 345 II. Matters Disposed of by Committee **CASES MATTERS** Rejected as Failing to State a Complaint A. 288 306 Referred to Other Disciplinary Committees В. 27 27 C. Referred to Other Agencies 2 2 D. Dismissed or Withdrawn 320 378 E. Dismissed Through Mediation 0 0 F. Letter of Caution 78 115 G. Letter of Admonition 7 14 H. Reprimand After Hearing N/A N/A Referred to Appellate Division I. 43 83 Total Disposed of During Period J. 765 925 III. **Cases Processed by Court** A. Cases Pending at Start of Period 55 Disciplinary Proceedings 47 2. Other 8 В. Cases Received During Period 43 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 12 2. Other 31 C. Total to be Processed During Period 98 D. Cases Closed 1. Disbarred 1 2. Resigned 3 Suspended 3. 3 Censured 1 4. 5. Privately Censured 0 6. Remanded to Grievance Committee 1 7. Discontinued 0 8. Dismissed 0 9. Reinstatements Granted 4 10. Reinstatements Denied 1 Non-Disciplinary Resignations 11. 16 12. All Other Dispositions 7 **Total Closed** 13. 37 E. Cases Pending at Close of Period 61 Disciplinary Proceedings 1. 53 2. Other 8

Disciplinary Decisions Reported by Appellate Division in 2004

FIRST DEPARTMENT

Michael R. Bressler **Interim Suspension** 22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(ii) (sub-3 AD3d 71 stantial admissions under oath). Le'Roi L. Gill Disbarred 22 NYCRR 603.13(a) (practicing while suspended); 22 NYCRR 3 AD3d 109 603.13(f)(failure to file proof of compliance with court order of suspension). Earl S. David Suspended 15 months, effective DR 1-102(A)(3)(fitness); DR 1-3 AD3d 174 102(A)(4)(dishonesty, fraud, 3/1/04 deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 9-102(E) (preserving identity of funds). Scott L. Wiss Suspended 6 months, effective Serious crime - insurance fraud 3 AD3d 182 3/1/04 (Penal Law §176.10). Karene A. Freeman **Interim Suspension** 22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i) (willful failure to cooperate with inves-4 AD3d 1 tigation). Joseph Burden Suspended 3 months, effective DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresenta-5 AD3d 1 3/17/04 tion); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law). Andrew S. Marks Disbarred Felony conviction - insider 4 AD3d 11 trading (15 USC §§78i[b], 78ff[a], 17 USC §240.10-b-5) (similar to felony of fraudulent business transactions [Gen. Bus. Law §352-c(5), (6)]). Disbarred Jonathan A. Weinstein DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty, 4 AD3d 29 fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(8)(now [7]); DR 2-103(A)(soliciting professional employment from prospective client); DR 2-106(A) (charging an collecting an excessive fee); DR 7-106(C)(5) (failure to comply with local custom without giving notice to

opposing counsel); DR 7-110(B) (3)(communicating with an official before whom proceeding is

pending without notice to opposing counsel); DR 9-102(A), (B)(misappropriation of client funds, failure to preserve client funds); DR 9-102(C)(1)(failure to promptly notify client of receipt of funds); DR 9-102(C)(4)(failure to promptly pay funds to client).

Anand M.S. Gujral 4 AD3d 43 Disbarred

22 NYCRR 603.4(g)(failure to appear or apply in writing to committee or court for hearing or reinstatement within six months of suspension date).

Matthew Weissman 5 AD3d 28

Disbarred

Felony conviction – scheme to defraud, 1st degree (Penal Law §190.65[1][b]); grand larceny, 2nd degree (Penal Law §155.40[1]); falsifying business records, 1st degree (Penal Law §175.10); grand larceny, 3rd degree (Penal Law §155.35); grand larceny, 4th degree (Penal Law §155.30[1]); attempted grand larceny, 3rd degree (Penal Law

Michael R. Bressler 5 AD3d 47

Resigned

22 NYCRR 603.11.

§110/155.35).

Glen J. Gentile 7 AD3d 37 Suspended 2 years effective 5/10/04

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 2-110(A)(3) (failure to promptly refund unearned fees to clients); DR 6-101 (A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102(C)(3) (failure to render an accounting); DR 9-102(C)(4)(failure to transfer files to clients).

Jennifer M. Hamptin 6 AD3d 82

Disbarred

Felony conviction – scheme to defraud, 1st degree (Penal Law §190.65[1]); grand larceny, 2nd degree (Penal Law §155.40).

John H. Teschner 7 AD3d 46 Suspended 3 months effective 5/17/04

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect).

Bruce H. Hest 7 AD3d 1 Disbarred

22 NYCRR 603.4(g)(failure to appear or apply in writing to committee or court for hearing

or reinstatement within six months of suspension date).

Silverio Ramirez 7 AD3d 52

Disbarred

Felony conviction - 18 USC §371 (conspiracy); 18 USC §§1546, 2 (fraud, misuse of visas/permits); 18 USC §§1001, 2 (making false statements); 18 USC §§1341, 2 (mail fraud) (Penal Law §175.35 [offering false instrument for filing, 1st degree).

Lee M. Mager 7 AD3d 27

Resigned

22 NYCRR 603.11.

Zaffar Bugtti 7 AD3d 15

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i)(willful failure to cooperate with com-

mittee's investigation).

Ronald F. Harnisch 7 AD3d 58

Disbarred

Felony conviction - 18 USC §§371, 1341, 1346 (conspiracy to

commit mail fraud).

Michael L. Goldman 7 AD3d 18

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (iii) (willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of profes-

sional misconduct).

The Law Firm of Wilens and

Baker 9 AD3d 213 Censured

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(rude and uncivil conduct adversely reflecting on fitness); DR 6-101(A) (3)(neglect); DR 9-102(C)(failure to promptly deliver client prop-

erty).

Lawrence Wilens 9 AD3d 213

Censured

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(rude and uncivil conduct adversely reflecting on fitness); DR 6-101(A) (3)(neglect); DR 9-102(C)(failure to promptly deliver client prop-

erty).

Frederick C. Hayes

7 AD3d 108

Censured

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 7-106(C)(6) (undignified or discourteous conduct

before a tribunal).

Huma H. Kamgar

7 AD3d 114

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i)(willful failure to cooperate with com-

mittee's investigation).

| James L. Hubbert 10 AD3d 32 | Disbarred | 22 NYCRR 603.4(g)(failure to appear or apply in writing to committee or court for hearing or reinstatement within six months of suspension date); 22 NYCRR 603.13(a)(practicing while suspended); 22 NYCRR 603.13(f)(failure to file proof of compliance with court order of suspension). |
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| Jaime V. Delio 9 AD3d 160 | Interim suspension | 22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (iii) (willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of professional misconduct). |
| Toritsefe Nanna 9 AD3d 230 | Resigned | 22 NYCRR 603.11. |
| Robert J. Pape, Jr. 10 AD3d 40 | Interim suspension | 22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (ii), (iii)(willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation; substantial admissions under oath; uncontested evidence of professional misconduct). |
| Kenneth Heller 9 AD3d 221 | Disbarred | DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 7-106(A)(disobeyed standing order of tribunal); DR 7-106(C)(6)(undignified or discourteous conduct degrading to tribunal); DR 7-108(A) (improper communication with prospective jurors). |
| Harold M. Weiner 10 AD3d 92 | Censured | DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 6-101(A)(3) (neglect); DR 7-101(A)(2)(failure to carry out contract of employment). |
| Grosvenor Anschell 11 AD3d 56 | Disbarred | 22 NYCRR 603.3 (reciprocal discipline – Washington). |
| Peter D. Hirschl 10 AD3d 164 | Suspended | Serious crime – conspiracy to money launder (18 USC §§1956[h], 1957). |
| Kirill Percy 10 AD3d 66 | Interim suspension | Serious crime – conspiracy to defraud United States (18 USC |

| | | §371)(Penal Law §190.65, scheme to defraud 1 st degree). |
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| Stanley J. Szaro 10 AD3d 81 | Interim suspension | 22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (iii) (willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of professional misconduct). |
| Arthur L. Goldstein 10 Ad2d 174 | Suspended 2 years | DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 9-102(B)(1) (improper use of escrow account); DR 9-102(B)(2)(improper identification of escrow account); DR 9-102(E)(improper withdrawals from escrow account). |
| John T. Hug, Jr. 10 AD3d 126 | Disbarred | Serious crime – conspiracy to defraud United States (18 USC §371)(Penal Law §175.35 - offering false instrument for filing, 1 st degree). |
| Christopher J. Schulze 10 AD2d 135 | Disbarred | 22 NYCRR 603.4(g)(failure to appear or apply in writing to committee or court for hearing or reinstatement within six months of suspension date). |
| Richard L. Wertis 10 Ad2d 141 | Disbarred | DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-1029A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 9-102(A) (misappropriation of funds from trust account). |
| H. William Hodges III 11 AD3d 32 | Censured | DR 1-102(A)(3)(illegal conduct adversely reflecting on fitness); DR 9-102(A)(1)(failure to release escrow down payment funds); DR 9-102(B)(1)(conversion); DR 9-102(B)(commingling); DR 9-102(E)(drawing checks to cash on trust accounts). |
| Guy J. Velella 11 AD3d 50 | Disbarred | Felony conviction – conspiracy 4 th degree (Penal Law §105.10[1]). |
| Bruce H. Roswick 11 AD3d 166 | Disbarred | Felony conviction – failure to file personal income and earn- |

ings taxes (NYS Tax Law

§1802[a]).

Sanford I. Freedman 11 AD3d 172

Disbarred

Felony conviction - Perjury (18

USC §1623 [Penal Law

§210.15]); conspiracy to commit bank fraud (18 USC §371 [Penal Law §190.65]); bank fraud (18 USC §§1344, 2 [Penal Law

§155.40, §190.65]).

James W. Treffinger 11 AD3d 185

Disbarred

Serious crime - conspiracy with intent to hinder communication to law enforcement officers (18

USC §371); mail fraud (18 USC §1341 [Penal Law §190.65]).

Joel S. Cohen 12 AD3d 29

Censured

DR 5-104(A)(1), (2)(improperly

entering into business transaction with client); DR 9-102(A),

(B)(commingling).

Sara Goldman 11 AD3d 178

Suspended 3 years effective

11/29/04

DR 1-102(A)(4)(dishonesty,

fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct adversely affecting indigents' access to courts); DR 1-102(A)(7) (conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 2-106(A)(collecting fees to which

not entitled).

William J. Lazaroni 12 AD3d 17

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (iii)

(willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of professional misconduct presenting immediate threat to public interest); Judiciary Law §468-a (failure to pay registration fee).

Mitchell L. Singer 12 AD3d 151

Disbarred

Felony conviction - Grand lar-

ceny 3rd degree (Penal Law

§155.35).

Armando A. Crescenzi

12 AD3d 74

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(ii), (iii)

(substantial admissions under oath and other uncontested evidence of professional miscon-

duct).

Thomas O'Toole

12 AD3d 1

Censured

22 NYCRR 603.3 (Reciprocal

discipline - Maryland).

Larry E. Feingold 12 AD3d 55

Disbarred

Felony conviction - Reckless endangerment, 1st degree (Penal

Law §120.25).

Larry Johnson 12 AD3d 62 Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i)(willful failure to cooperate with com-

mittee's investigation).

Melinda E. Lowell

14 AD3d 41

Disbarred

First Department precedence requires disbarment over New Jersey three-year suspension.

Thomas Zichettello

12 AD3d 128

Disbarred

Felony conviction - Racketeering (26 USC §1962[c][Penal Law §460.20]); 26 USC §7201 (attempted tax evasion).

Kirill Percy 14 AD3d 26 Resigned

22 NYCRR 603.11.

Fredric J. Roth 14 AD3d 29 Resigned

22 NYCRR 603.11.

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14 AD3d 89

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(1)(i), (iii) (willful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of professional misson dust)

sional misconduct).

Alexander B. Dranov

14 Ad3d 156

Suspended 6 months

22 NYCRR 603.3 (Reciprocal discipline - New Jersey).

Dominick A. Fusco

14 AD3d 94

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(i), (iii) (will-ful failure to cooperate with committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of profes-

sional misconduct).

Chak Y. Lee 14 AD3d 98

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 603.4(e)(i), (iii) (willful failure to cooperate with

committee's investigation, uncontested evidence of profes-

sional misconduct).

SECOND DEPARTMENT

(Second and Eleventh Judicial Districts)

Roy Siegel Reinstatement denied

Robert Stephen Burrick

3 AD3d 132

Disbarred

Felony conviction – Mail fraud (18 USC §§1341, 1342), interstate

transportation of stolen property

(18 USC §§2314, 2312).

Boris A. Krivonos 3 AD3d 112

Suspended 1 year

Serious crime conviction - Conspiracy to defraud the United States (18 USC §371).

Dennis M. Beck Reinstated

Thomas C. Monaghan Reinstated

Edwin F. Drakes 5 AD3d 33

Suspended 2 years

Failure to comply with lawful orders of U.S. Bankruptcy Court; failure to re-register with Office of Court Administration; failure

to cooperate.

John Spiridakis 5 AD3d 63

Suspended 1 year

Failure to safeguard funds entrusted as a fiduciary; failure to promptly pay clients funds to which they were entitled; commingling; filing late and inaccurate retainer and closing state-

ments.

Hubert L. Marshall Interim suspension Failure to cooperate.

Jessica Allen 5 AD3d 50

Disbarred

Felony conviction - Grand larceny 3rd degree (Penal Law §155.35), making an apparently false sworn statement (Penal Law

§210.40).

Shelley D. Miller 6 AD3d 84

Disbarred

Fraud; conversion.

Suzana Frlan-Zovko

7 AD3d 41

Suspended 3 years

Conversion; commingling; improperly drawing IOLA checks to cash; failure to maintain required bookkeeping records.

Sheldon S. Leffler 6 AD3d 108

Disbarred

Felony conviction – Attempted grand larceny 3rd degree (Penal Law §§ 110.00, 155.35), offering a false instrument for filing 1st degree (Penal Law §175.35).

Volf Birman 7 AD3d 11

Suspended 1 year

Serious crime conviction - Employing an individual to illegally solicit clients (Judiciary Law

§482).

Elizabeth J. Auguste Interim suspension Failure to cooperate.

Jonathan S. Kaufman Failure to cooperate. Interim suspension

Allen J. Taliuaga Indefinite suspension vacated; reinstated Theodore Bushlow Reinstated Andrew P. Jones Suspended 3 years Conversion. 7 AD3d 101 William F. Rothman Suspended 1 year Failure to cooperate. 7 AD3d 62 Beth B. Reisman-Sholom Disbarred Reciprocal discipline - New Jer-7 AD3d 105 Keith M. Krasnove Disbarred Reciprocal discipline - Florida. 7 AD3d 111 Reynold N. Mason Disbarred (resigned) Conversion; failure to promptly 7 AD3d 117 pay or deliver to third person funds that person was entitled to receive; commingling; issuing escrow checks to cask; providing inaccurate and misleading responses to Commission on Judicial Conduct. Andrew J. Jenkins Reinstatement denied Disbarred Iames E. White Conversion; commingling; mak-9 AD3d 163 ing cash withdrawals from IOLA account; failure to maintain required bookkeeping records. Solomon Kaplan Interim suspension Serious crime conviction - Mail fraud (18 USC §1341); making false statements relating to health case matters (18 USC §1035[a]); health care fraud (18 USC §1347); witness tampering (18 USC §1412[b]); making false statements to FBI (18 USC §1001[a]); conspiracy (18 USC §371). Russell G. Cheek Suspended 1 year Reciprocal discipline - New Jer-10 AD3d 29 sey. Vsevolod Shakhanov a/k/a Si-Interim suspension Failure to cooperate. mon Shakhanov Scott Pere Serious crime conviction - Con-Interim suspension spiracy to illegally restrain trade and commerce (15 USC §1). Daniel H. Levine Disbarred (resigned) Petit larceny conviction. 10 Ad3d 242

Stephen M. Canino
Admission revoked
Making materially false statements for admission to the bar.

Mitchell Kirk Klafter
Censured
Solicitation: failing document

Solicitation; failing document with Office of Court Administration containing false and misleading information.

Michael Eric Hampden 11 AD3d 17 Suspended 2 years Neglec

Neglect; failure to cooperate.

Catherine Thomas-Pinkney 10 AD3d 197 Disbarred

Reciprocal discipline - District of

Columbia.

Derrick G. Arjune 10 AD3d 206

11 AD3d 1

Disbarred (resigned)

Practicing while suspended; misdemeanor conviction - attempted violation of Penal Law §175.35, offering a false instrument for failing 1st degree).

Fred A. Schwartz 11 AD3d 168 Suspended 2 years

Reciprocal discipline – Florida (resignation with leave to seek readmission in 5 years).

John J. Napolitano Reinstated

Jay Chatarpaul Reinstated

Rebecca E. Carmen Interim suspension Serious crime conviction - Crimi-

nal facilitation 4th degree).

George J. Lewis Interim suspension Failure to cooperate.

Lewis G.P. Ashton Reinstatement denied

Robert E. Liedy Reinstatement denied with leave

to renew

Vsevolod Shakhanov a/k/a Si-

mon Shakhanov 14 AD3d 83 Disbarred (resigned)

Failure to cooperate.

Elizabeth J. Auguste

14 AD3d 86

Disbarred (on default)

Failure to cooperate.

David S. Dindial 14 AD3d 69 Disbarred (on default)

Misdemeanor conviction – Petit larceny (Penal Law §155.25).

(Ninth Judicial District)

Paul A. Bartolotta Reinstatement denied

Linda D. Blake Disbarred Judiciary Law §90(4)(a)(felony

11 AD3d 5 conviction). Leonard Buddington, Jr. Disbarred (resigned) DR 9-102 (breach of fiduciary 7 AD3d 55 duty with respect to escrow funds). Censured Gerard Martin Carey DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudi-9 AD3d 57 cial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 6-101(A)(3) (neglect). Joseph Cerbone Application for reinstatement held in abeyance, referred to Committee on Character and Fitness Ronald J. Chisena Suspended 2 years DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudi-5 AD3d 79 cial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law). Charles D. Conway Disbarred 22 NYCRR 691.3 (reciprocal dis-6 AD3d 42 cipline - New Jersey). Judiciary Law §90(4)(e), 22 Richard . Crowe Suspended 1 year 3 AD3d 193 NYCRR 691.7(b)(serious crime conviction - assisting in preparation of fraudulent federal tax forms, conspiracy to defraud United States); DR 1-102(A)(4) (conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(6)(now [7]) (conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law). Robert C. D'Alvia Reinstatement denied Frazier Davidson Disbarred DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involv-11 AD3d 11 ing dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)

(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102 (A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice law); DR 9-102(A)(commingling).

Scott B. Feiden 22 NYCRR 691.4(l)(1)(i); DR 1-Interim suspension 102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to

administration of justice); DR 1-102 (A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice

law).

James R. Filenbaum

5 AD3d 30

Disbarred (resigned)

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102 (breach of fiduciary duty with respect to escrow account); DR 9-102(C)(3)(failure to render accounting for funds held in es-

crow account).

John P. Fitzmaurice

11 AD3d 47

Disbarred (resigned)

DR 9-102 (failure to safeguard

escrow funds).

Rudolph V. Ganz III

14 AD3d 11

Disbarred (resigned)

DR 9-102 (Failure to safeguard

and maintain funds).

Terry D. Grosselfinger

Application for reinstatement held in abeyance, referred to Committee on Character and Fit-

ness

Jerard Hankin 10 AD3d 152 Disbarred (resigned)

DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 3-101 (aiding in unauthorized practice of law); DR 3-102 (dividing legal fees with non-lawyer); DR 9-102 (breach of fiduciary duty with respect to escrow funds); DR 9-

102(A)(commingling).

William Joyce 3 AD3d 178 Censured

DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 6-101(A)

(3)(neglect).

Jeffrey I. Klein Reinstated

Mel Levine 7 AD3d 4 Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(felony con-

viction).

Christopher McCarthy

11 AD3d 162

Censured

DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice

law).

Maureen McNamara Application for reinstatement

held in abeyance, referred to Committee on Character and Fit-

ness

Michele Okin 9 AD3d 167 Disbarred (resigned)

Judiciary Law §90(4); DR 1-102 (A)(4)(conduct involving dishon-

esty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 2-110(A)(3)(failure to return unused retainer); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102 (breach of fiduciary duty with

respect to escrow funds).

Frank E. Redl 14 AD3d 60

Disbarred

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice

law).

Laurence Y. Solarsh

3 AD3d 222

Disbarred (resigned)

DR 9-102 (breach of fiduciary duty with respect to escrow

funds).

Kristie Velasco 10 Ad3d 158

Disbarred

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness to practice

law).

Henry Waitzman

David Wolfson 5 AD3d 39

Reinstated

Disbarred (resigned)

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102(C)(3)(failure to render accounting for funds held in es-

crow account); DR 9-

102(C)(4)(failure to make prompt disbursement of funds from es-

crow account).

(Tenth Judicial District)

Rodney E. Batts 10 AD3d 132

Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of attorney under investigation).

Stanley E. Bogal

Reinstated

Bernard Bronner

Interim Suspension

22 NYCRR 691.4(1).

Amy Lesserson Brown

10 AD3d 182

Disbarred

Judiciary Law \$90(4)(felony conviction - assault 2d degree [Penal Law §120.05(4)]; operating motor vehicle under the influence [Vehicle & Traffic Law §1192(2)]; assault 3d degree [Penal Law

§120.00]).

Sean M. Bunting 10 Ad3d 146

Disbarred

DR 7-102(A)(4), (6), DR 1-102(A) (4), (5), (7)(knowingly creating and using false evidence); Executive Law §135-a, DR 1-102(A)(4), (7)(violating duties and obligations of notary); DR 6-101(A)(3) (neglect); DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7) (knowingly making false state-

ment under oath).

Kenneth B. Carnesi Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 14 AD3d 56 attorney under investigation). Reinstatement denied Sydney J. Chase Peter Citrin Reinstated Peter D. DeCurtis Reinstated Daniel B. Dobkin **Interim Suspension** 22 NYCRR 691.4(1). Bruce A. Glubin Reinstated Mark L. Goldman Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 11 AD3d 175 attorney under investigation). Gerald M. Goll **Interim Suspension** 22 NYCRR 691.4(1). Elmina M. Hilaire Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 10 AD3d 138 attorney under investigation). Amin Khalil Hussain-El **Interim Suspension** 22 NYCRR 691.4(1). David R. Jampol Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 5 AD3d 55 attorney under investigation). Arnold J. Kaplan Disbarred Failure to cooperate with com-10 AD3d 155 mittee. Mark G. Kirshner Censured DR 9-102(A)(conversion); DR 1-3 AD3d 201 102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer). Arthur W. Klingel, Jr. Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 10 AD3d 37 attorney under investigation). Arlene M. Lacey Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 4 AD3d 5 attorney under investigation). Donald W. Leo 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of Disbarred (resigned) 9 AD3d 218 attorney under investigation). Grant E. McClellan Disbarred Judiciary Law §90(4)(felony con-10 Ad3d 44 viction - manslaughter 2d degree [Penal Law §125.15(1)]). John L. Meunkle Disbarred (resigned) 22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of 10 AD3d 34 attorney under investigation). Kevin M. Plante Censured Misdemeanor conviction - driv-7 AD3d 98 ing while ability impaired (Vehicle & Traffic Law §1192[1]). Charles R. Robert Suspended 5 years DR 9-102(A)(conversion); DR 710 AD3d 96

102(A)(5)(knowingly making false statements of fact during representation of client); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 2-110(A) (3)(failure to promptly remit unearned legal fee); DR 1-102(A) (7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer).

Jay W. Rosen 11 AD3d 182 Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of attorney under investigation).

Matthew M. Russo 10 AD3d 209

Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of attorney under investigation).

Martin L. Sandberg

Reinstatement denied

Darren M. Shapiro Reinstated

Richard D. Simon Reinstated

Clement M. Soviero 10 AD3d 179

Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of attorney under investigation).

Richard M. Weiner 10 AD3d 161 Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 691.9 (resignation of attorney under investigation).

Gerard A. Wisla 11 AD3d 8 Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(felony conviction – grand larceny 3d degree [Penal Law §155.35]; practicing law after suspension [Judiciary Law §486]; falsifying business records 1st degree [Penal Law

§175.10[).

Norma R. Zandman Indefinite suspension

22 NYCRR 691.13.

Alan Zigman

Interim suspension

22 NYCRR 691.4(1).

THIRD DEPARTMENT

Mahmoud Alsafty 5 AD3d 976

Suspended 1 year

22 NYCRR 806.19 (reciprocal discipline based on Maryland dis-

barment).

Lara P. Andrew 10 AD3d 471 Reinstated

Stephen Apollo 10 AD3d 767 Reinstated

Attorneys in violation of Judiciary Law §468-a
3 AD3d 662
Robert G. Clark
Alfred V. Gellene
Andrew M. Goldberg
Steven H. Griffiths
Joseph J. Iacopino
Andrew J. Muller
Gary E. Oberst
Charles B. Sakofsky

Indefinite suspensions

Judiciary Law §468-a, 22 NYCRR part 118 (nine attorneys suspended effective 30 days from date of order until further order of court – failure to file registration statement, pay required registration fee).

J. Michael Boxley 8 AD3d 949

Eaton W. Tarbell

Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(3), (7) (illegal conduct adversely reflecting on lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness, conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer – guilty plea to sexual misconduct [Penal Law §130.20]).

Patrick J. Cannon 6 AD3d 870 Reinstated

David I. Channing 9 AD3d 737

Reinstated

Richard L. DiMaggio, Jr. 5 AD3d 856

Suspended 2 years, stayed

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(A) (failure to maintain required balance in escrow account and issuing checks on the account when there were no corresponding deposits, thereby converting client funds); DR 9-102(A) (commingling); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(B), (C), (D)(failure to maintain complete records of client funds, failure to properly reconcile escrow account and failure to properly title account); DR 9-102(E)(issuing escrow check payable to cash); DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7)(attempting to mislead personal injury client); DR 1-102(A) (5)(failure to return client's phone calls); DR 9-102(C)(failure to promptly notify collection agency clients of receipt of funds on their behalf, render an accounting and remit funds); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7)(failure to promptly cooperate with investigation).

Respondent directed within 30 days to pay personal injury client \$674.90 and submit proof of

payment to petitioner.

Suspension stayed upon condition respondent submit semiannual reports to petitioner by a CPA confirming he is maintaining escrow account and preserving client funds in accordance with disciplinary rules. After expiration of two year period, respondent may apply to court for termination of suspension. Application must be supported by documentation respondent took and passed the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within suspension period.

Richard A. Dudley, Jr. 4 AD3d 614

Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), 22 NYCRR 806.9 (failure to comply with order of suspension); DR 1-102(A) (5), (7), Rule 83.4 of the Local Rules of the Northern District of New York (failure to comply with reciprocal order of suspension); DR 9-102(C)(4)(failure to promptly return client property); DR 3-101(B), 22 NYCRR 806.9 (a) (engaging in unauthorized practice of law while suspended).

Richard A. Dudley, Jr.

Motion to reconsider denied

Harry M. Eisenberg 5 AD3d 944

Reinstated

Aloysius O. Ejimakor 12 AD3d 930 Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7), DR 3-101 (B)(suspension by Department of Justice for nine months for having misrepresented ability to practice law); DR 1-102(A)(5) (failure to cooperate with petitioner).

Calvin Eleby, Jr. 13 AD3d 974

Interim suspension

Suspended until such time as disciplinary proceeding is concluded and until further order of court. Admission to converting \$27,676 of client funds and using funds for personal benefit, constituting conduct immediately threatening public interest.

Gerald R. Forcier 3 AD3d 733

Censured

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 1-102(A)(5)(failure to communicate

with clients); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7) (failure to comply with attorney registration requirements); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7)(failure to cooperate with petitioner).

Peter G. Ford

Motion to vacate stay denied; Stayed suspension extended Motion for order vacating stay of suspension and suspending respondent denied, with stay continued for nine months from date of decision. Respondent shall comply with all conditions of prior decision (287 AD2d 870, fully disburse all inactive escrow funds in his possession, and withdraw all personal funds from escrow account.

Joan M. Gaughan Atlas 12 AD3d 929 Suspended 3 years

22 NYCRR 806.19 (reciprocal discipline – Pennsylvania).

Mark J. Gaylord 9 AD3d 676 Suspended 1 year, stayed

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7)(attempting to mislead and deceive client); DR 2-106(A)(excessive fee). Suspension stayed upon condition the respondent pay full restitution to client within 30 days, comply with statutes and rules regulating attorneys and not be the subject of further disciplinary actions or proceedings. After expiration of one year, respondent may apply for termination of suspension.

Hyath B. Gross 5 AD3d 942

Suspended 2 years

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(B) (1)(failure to deposit client funds in identifiable escrow account); DR 9-102(I)(failure to produce escrow account records); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(C), (D) (failure to maintain complete records of client funds); DR 6-101 (A)(3)(neglect); DR 1-102(A)(5) (failure to communicate with clients); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7) (failure to cooperate with petitioner).

Richard J. Haas 3 AD3d 732 Suspended 3 years

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 1-102(A)((5), (7), DR 9-102(A), (C) (4)(receiving \$15,000 as a retainer for criminal appeal, thereafter providing little or no legal services and converting the fee to his own use). Suspension nunc

pro tunc to 5/1/98. Upon application for reinstatement, respondent shall make showing required by 22 NYCRR 806.12(b), including restitution ordered by the Court's decision which censured him in 1997, a medical opinion addressing his current capacity to practice law, compliance with attorney registration requirements, and respondent's past and present status, if any, in the bar of any other state.

Richard J. Haas 11 AD3d 877 Reinstatement denied

Failure to make showing upon which an application for reinstatement may be granted, including failure to make restitution to clients and failure to reimburse Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection. Respondent's request granted to deposit \$2,000 with the Lawyer's Fund, which the Fund shall hold for safeguarding and disbursement to two of respondent's clients.

Kevin R. Hall 10 AD3d 842 Suspended 3 years

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 7-102 (leaving vulgar voice mail messages on the answering machine of law guardian representing client's children); DR 7-104(A) (communicating with client's spouse directly by telephone despite being advised by spouse's attorney that all communications should be directed to that attorney); DR 5-101(A), 5-111(B)(3) (entering into sexual relationship with client during course of representation and failing to discontinue employment after professional judgment affected by personal interest).

David A. Hoicka 11 AD3d 877 Censured

22 NYCRR 806.19 (reciprocal discipline – Massachusetts).

Sandra E. Holloway 10 AD3d 800 Reinstated

Deb Ireland 6 AD3d 808 Disbarred

DR 1-102(A)(5), DR 7-102(A)(1) (asserting legal positions merely to harass or maliciously injure former clients); DR 1-102(A)(5), 22 NYCRR 1400.5 (improperly

filing lien on former client's residence); DR 1-102(A)(5), DR 7-102 (A)(advancing unreasonable objectives on behalf of client merely to generate legal fees); DR 1-102 (A)(5)(failure to cooperate with petitioner).

William B. Jensen 7 AD3d 878 Stayed suspension vacated; suspended until 3/7/05

Failure to comply with terms of agreement with NYSBA Lawyer Assistance Program.

Robin Hwajin Yoon Kim 10 AD3d 462

Reinstated

Joseph A. Maffongelli, Jr. 4 AD3d 613

Suspended 1 year

22 NYCRR 806.19 (reciprocal discipline – New Jersey. Any application for reinstatement shall include proof of reinstatement in New Jersey.)

Matthew J. Mann 9 AD3d 676

Reinstated

Thomas H. Mann

Reinstatement denied

Michael S. McGrady 5 AD3d 975

Disbarred (resigned)

22 NYCRR 806.8 (resignation accepted). Respondent misappropriated client funds from IOLA account and failed to deposit funds in the account, Respondent agrees to make full and complete restitution to all injured parties; directed to cooperate with petitioner, in consultation with Lawyers; Fund for Client Protection, in prompt formulation of an appropriate restitution order(s) that petitioner shall submit for entry pursuant to Judiciary Law §90(6-a)(e).

Michael B. Mendelson 9 AD3d 677

Suspended 1 year, stayed

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(A) (conversion); DR 9-102(E)(escrow check payable to cash). Suspension stayed on conditions that respondent submit to petitioner semiannual reports by CPA confirming he is maintaining escrow account and preserving client funds in accordance with applicable disciplinary rules and semiannual reports from both his treating psychologist and physician assessing continuing capaci-

ty to practice law. Respondent shall submit required semiannual reports until suspension is terminated. Petitioner shall report any failure to meet said conditions to court. After expiration of one-year suspension period, respondent may apply for termination of suspension. Any such application to be accompanied by documentation that respondent took and passed the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within the suspension period.

Cheryl Parsons Reul 13 AD3d 800 Suspended 2 years, stayed

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102 (issuing checks against insufficient funds in escrow account); DR 9-102(B)(1)(failure to deposit client funds into identifiable escrow account); DR 9-102(A) (conversion); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(A)(commingling); DR 9-102 (E)(making cash withdrawals, issuing checks payable to cash); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(C), (D)(failure to maintain complete and accurate records of escrow account); DR 9-102(I)(failure to produce escrow account records); DR 1-102(A)(5), DR 2-106(F), 22 NYCRR part 1400 (failure to provide domestic relations client with Statement of Client's Rights and Responsibilities); DR 1-102 (A)(5), (7)(failure to cooperate with petitioner). Suspension stayed on condition that respondent provide petitioner with full accounting of client funds from closed escrow account and submit to petitioner quarterly reports from CPA confirming maintenance of escrow account and preservation of client funds in accordance with Disciplinary Rules. Any failure to meet said conditions to be reported to court. After expiration of suspension period, respondent may apply to court for termination of suspension. Any such application must be supported by documentation that respondent took and passed the Multistate Profes-

sional Responsibility Examination.

Joseph E. Poveromo 3 AD3d 734

Suspended 5 years

DR 1-102(A)(5)(two suspensions and three reprimands in New Jersey and ineligibility to practice in that state for failure to pay annual assessments to NI Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection); DR 1-102(A)(5)(failure to file copy of disciplinary order from another jurisdiction with court); DR 1-102(A)(5), Judiciary Law §90(4)(c)(failure to file certificate of conviction with court); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), Judiciary Law §468-a, 22 NYCRR 118.1 (failure to comply with attorney registration requirements since 1991); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7)(failure to cooperate with petitioner).

R. Stephen Reilly 5 AD3d 944

Stayed suspension vacated; indefinite suspension

Motion to vacate stay of suspension and to suspend respondent, or in the alternative for suspension pending consideration of disciplinary charges pursuant to 22 NYCRR 804.4(f). Stay vacated and respondent suspended immediately and until further order of court for failure to meet conditions of stayed suspension (309 AD2d 965) and the seriousness of new charges filed against him.

R. Stephen Reilly 9 AD3d 736

Suspended 2 years

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102(A))conversion); DR 6-101(A)(3) (neglect); DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7) (attempting to mislead and deceive petitioner); DR 1-102(A)(5) (failure to communicate with clients); DR 9-102(D)(failure to maintain required escrow account records); DR 1-102(A)(5), (7)(failure to cooperate with petitioner).

Michael R. Smalls 7 AD3d 877

Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(a), (b) (conviction of involuntary manslaughter [18 USC §1112(a)] [equivalent to criminally negligent homicide (Penal Law §125.10) vehicular manslaughter 2nd degree (Penal Law §125.12)]).

Edward M. Sossner

Suspended 2 years, stayed

DR 1-102(A)(5), (7), DR 9-102

John P. Stonner 4 AD3d 616

Censured

David K. Taylor 12 AD3d 1206 Reinstated on condition

(conversion of funds received on behalf of clients by disbursing moneys from escrow accounts on behalf of clients in excess of funds held on deposit for those clients; drawing checks on escrow account which cleared account before corresponding deposit was credited to account; withdrawals from escrow account on behalf of clients which utilized other clients' funds: commingling; failure to maintain compete and accurate records of escrow account; maintaining escrow account that did not comply with dishonored check reporting rule[22 NYCRR part 1300]; failure to properly title escrow account; failure to promptly remit client funds; failure to accord petitioner prompt and full cooperation). Suspension stayed on condition that respondent submit semiannual reports to petitioner from CPA confirming he is maintaining escrow accounts and preserving client funds in accordance with Disciplinary Rules. Any failure to meet said condition to be reported to court. After expiration of two-year period, respondent may apply to court for termination of suspension. Any such application to be supported by documentation that respondent took and passed the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination within the suspension period.

DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 1-102 (A)(5)(failure to communicate with client and new counsel); DR 1-102(A)(5)(failure to cooperate with petitioner).

Reinstatement conditioned upon submission to petitioner, for two years following date of decision, of semiannual psychiatric reports assessing respondent's continued capacity to practice law. Any failure to meet that condition to be reported to court. Michael C. Weitz 12 AD3d 773

Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(a), (b) (convicted of attempted sexual abuse 1st degree [Penal Law §§110.00,

110.05, 130.65(1)]).

Paul M. Whitaker 10 AD3d 841

Suspended 2 years

DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7), DR 9-102 (A)(converting funds belonging to estate of which he was executor by authorizing loans to himself); DR 1-102(A)(5), DR 5-104 (A)(conflict of interest in dealings

with estate).

William S. Wolfson 8 AD3d 747

Suspended 6 months

22 NYCRR 806.19 (reciprocal discipline - New Jersey, nunc pro

tunc to 3/20/04).

FOURTH DEPARTMENT

(Fifth Judicial District)

Michael I. Wallace 4 AD3d 895

Reinstated

Robert P. Moran, Jr. 8 AD3d 1127

Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(criminal conviction - Penal Law

§220.16[7]).

Elizabeth A. Frank 9 AD3d 916

Disbarred; restitution ordered

Default - Unexcused failure to appear or answer petition.

Salvatore I. Piemonte

9 AD3d 916

Reinstated

Angelo A. Rinaldi 11 AD3d 53

Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer); DR 2-110(A)(3)(failure to refund promptly any portion of fee that has not been earned); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 7-101(A) (1)(intentionally failing to seek lawful objectives of client); DR 7-102(A)(2)(intentionally failing to carry out contract of employment); DR 7-101(A)(3) (intentionally damaging or prejudicing client during course of professional relationship).

Thomas C. Kingsley

Suspended 6 months

DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involv-

14 AD3d 20

ing dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A) (7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer).

Thomas A. Lenkiewicz 14 AD3d 151

Censured

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect).

(Seventh Judicial District)

Joi M. Cary 3 AD3d 236 Suspended 3 years

Judiciary Law §468-a, 22 NYCRR 118.1 (failure to comply with attorney registration requirements); DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102(A)(misappropriating client funds and commingling); DR 9-102(B)(1)(failure to maintain client funds in separate account); DR 9-102(C)(3)failure to maintain complete records of client funds and render appropriate accounts); DR 9-102(D)(failure to maintain required records of bank accounts); DR 9-102(E) (making withdrawals by bank transfer without obtaining prior written approval of party entitled to proceeds); DR 9-102(I) (failure to produce records in response to subpoena issued in connection with grievance committee's investigation).

Charles A. Schiano 5 AD3d 1127 Reinstated

Melvin G. Shapiro 5 AD3d 52

Censured

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer); DR 2-106(C)(2) (entering into arrangement for, charging or collecting a fee in domestic relations matter without written re-

tainer agreement); DR 2-106(C) (3)(entering into arrangement for, charging or collecting fee proscribed by law or court rule); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102(C)(2)(failure to identify and label client or third party's property promptly on receipt and place it in place of safekeeping as soon as possible); DR 9-102(C)(4)(failure to promptly deliver to client or third person property in lawyer's possession that client/third person is entitled to receive).

David A. Gaesser 6 AD3d 1246 Disbarred

Default – Unexcused failure to appear or answer a supplemental petition.

Disbarred; 30 days' imprison-

Judiciary Law §\$90(2)(b), 750(A)(3).

ment for criminal contempt

James J. Shapiro 7 AD3d 120

Joi M. Cary

7 AD3d 24

Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A) (7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer); DR 2-101 (A)(disseminating public communication to prospective client containing statements that are false, deceptive or misleading); DR 2-103(A)(2)(d)(soliciting employment from prospective client by written communication when he new or reasonably should have known that the age or physical/emotional/mental state of recipient made it unlikely that she would be able to exercise reasonable judgment in retaining attorney).

Re

Resigned 22 NYCRR 1022.26(a) (resigned

under investigation).

Douglas E. Rowe 12 AD3d 133

5 AD3d 1127

Louis H. Grossman

Suspended 3 years

Judiciary Law §90(4) (misdemeanor conviction – Penal Law

§195.05).

Kevin C. Bryant 13 AD3d 1231 Disbarred

Judiciary Law §90(4)(felony conviction – murder, 1st degree).

(Eighth Judicial District)

Mark D. Grossman Censured DR 1-102(A)(4)(conduct involv-3 AD3d 211 ing dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); DR 1-102(A) (7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a lawyer). Timothy G. Bax Interim suspension 22 NYCRR 1022020(e). 5 AD3d 1127 Allan L. Paglia Reinstated 5 Ad3d 1127 Christos G. Ladas Criminal contempt; fined \$500 Judiciary Law §§90(2)(b), 9 AD3d 234 750(A)(3). Richard J. Hogan, Jr. Indefinite suspension Judiciary Law §90(2-a), (b), (d) (failure to appear on adjourned 9 AD3d 916 date of court's order regarding his willful violation of an order of support issued by Family Court). Mackson P. McDowall Reinstatement denied Leave to renew upon submission 9 AD3d 915 of proof of compliance with 22 NYCRR 1022.28 and satisfaction of outstanding attorney fees. Michael L. Montgomery 22 NYCRR 1022.26(a)(resigned Resigned 9 AD3d 916 under investigation). Reinstated Thomas J. Przybyla 9 Ad3d 916 Francis W. Tessyman, Jr. Reinstated 11 AD3d 1045 Joseph DiNardo Reinstated 12 AD3d 1202 22 NYCRR 1022.26(a)(resigned Paul I. Miles Resigned 13 AD3d 1231 under investigation). 22 NYCRR 1022.26(a)(resigned Edward J. O'Connor Resigned 13 AD3d 1231 pending disciplinary proceedings). Mitchell K. Friedman DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudi-Suspended 1 year 14 Ad3d 153 cial to administration of justice); DR 1-102(A)(7)(conduct adversely reflecting on fitness as a law-

yer); DR 5-103(A)(acquiring proprietary interest in cause of action or subject matter of litigation); DR 5-103(B)(advancing or guaranteeing financial assistance to client while representing client

in contemplated or pending litigation); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 7-101(A)(2)(intentionally failing to carry our contract of employment).

Mark J. O'Connor 14 AD3d 175 Suspended 1 year

DR 1-102(A)(4), (5), (7)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation, prejudicial to administration of justice, adversely reflects on fitness as a lawyer); DR 5-104 (former [A]) (entering into business transaction with client if they have differing interests and if client expects lawyer to exercise professional judgment therein for protection of client, unless client consents after full disclosure); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 9-102(A), (B), (C), (D), (E) (commingling, failure to identify special bank account in proper manner, failure to maintain disputed funds in special account, failure to notify client/third party promptly of receipt of funds in which client/third party has interest, failure to maintain complete records and render appropriate accounts, failure to deliver promptly to client/third party funds to which client/third party is entitled, failure to maintain accurate records of accounts, issuing checks payable to cash).

J. Eldon Owens 14 Ad3d 124

Suspended 6 months

DR 1-102(A)(5)(conduct prejudicial to administration of justice); DR 6-101(A)(3)(neglect); DR 7-101(A)(1)(failure to seek client's lawful objectives through reasonably available means permitted by law and Disciplinary Rules); DR 7-101(A)(2)(failure to carry out contract of employment); DR 7-101(A)(3) (prejudicing or damaging client during course of professional relationship).

John George Siracusa 14 Ad3d 138 Disbarred

Judiciary Law \$90(4)(Federal conviction – 18 USC \$1503).

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(Fiscal 2003-2004) and
Salaries of Disciplinary Staff
(February 2004)

| FIRST DEPARTMENT | | SECOND DEPARTM | SECOND DEPARTMENT | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|--|-------------|---------------------------|
| | Grade | 2/04 Salary | Title | Grade | 2/04 Salary |
| Chief Attemper | NIC | ¢117.110 | (Coson don d Elementh | Turdinial T | Diatriata) |
| Chief Attorney Deputy Chief Attorney | NS 532 | \$116,118 | (Second and Eleventh | Judiciai i | Jistricts) |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,367 110,796 | Chief Attorney | NS | \$112,854 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 110,796 | Dep. Chief Attorney | 532 | 109,222 |
| 1 , | 531 | 107,379 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 109,222 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 97,128 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 93,711 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 102,259 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 93,711 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 99,635 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 90,294 |
| | 531 | 97,128 | | 523 | 67,777 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | | Principal PC Analyst | 523 521 | 55,897 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 93,718 | Sr. PC Analyst | 521 | 58,238 |
| Principal Attorney Principal Attorney | 531 | 87,263 86,877 | Sr. Court Analyst | 518 | 47,842 |
| 1 , | 531 | 86,877 | Court Analyst | 518 | |
| Principal Attorney | | 85,903 | Court Analyst | | 45,792 |
| Prin. App. Ct. Atty. | 531 | 69,675 | Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 40,953 |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 80,429 | Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 38,818 |
| Associate Attorney | 528 528 | 79,114 | Secretary | 514 | 40,048 |
| Associate Attorney | 528 526 | 74,277 | Secretary | 514 512 | 31,528 |
| Senior Attorney | 526 | 63,937 | Jr. Court Analyst | 512 | 40,489 |
| Principal Court Analyst | 523 | 69,652 | 2002 2004 4 | | |
| Principal Court Analyst | 523 | 72,194 | 2003-2004 Appropriati | ons: | ф1 202 (40 |
| Sr. LAN Administrator | 523 | 69,652 | Personal Service | | \$1,392,649 |
| Senior Court Analyst | 521 | 51,073 | Nonpersonal Service | _ | 208,000 |
| Sr. App. Court Asst. | 521 | 51,223 | T-1-1 | | ¢1 (00 (40 |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 56,042 | Total: | | \$1,600,649 |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 56,042 | | | |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 53,992 | AT 4 T 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | 1) | |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 53,992 | (Ninth Judicial Distric | et) | |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 53,992 | C1 : (A ! ! | NIC | Ф11 Г 1 Г 1 |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 51,942 | Chief Attorney | NS 522 | \$115,174 |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 45,792 | Dep. Chief Attorney | 532 | 103,009 |
| Admin. Secretary | 517 | 50,095 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 110,796 |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 47,990 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 102,064 |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 46,539 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 97,128 |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 39,091 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 87,694 |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 37,229 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 87,604 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 43,456 | Principal Attorney | 531 536 | 83,460 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 43,077 | Senior Attorney | 526 521 | 65,222 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 36,640 | Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 31,528 | Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 50,263 |
| Secretary | 514 | 43,456 | Secretary | 514 | 46,864 |
| Secretary | 514 | 34,936 | Secretary | 514 | 46,864 |
| Secretary | 514 | 34,936 | Secretary | 514 | 43,456 |
| Prin. App. Office Asst. | 513 | 41,144 | | | |
| Sr. Office Assistant | 508 | 22,161 | 2003-2004 Appropriati | ons: | * |
| | | | Personal Service | | \$1,188,449 |
| 2003-2004 Appropriation | ns: | | Nonpersonal Service | | 357,750 |
| Personal Service | | \$3,280,389 | m . 1 | | ha = |
| Nonpersonal Service | _ | 310,727 | Total: | | \$1,546,199 |
| Total: | | \$3,591,116 | | | |

SECOND DEPARTMENT

FOURTH DEPARTMENT

| Title | Grade | 2/04 Salary | Title | Grade | 2/04 Salary |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------|------------------------|-------|-------------|
| (Tenth Judicial Distric | et) | | Chief Attorney | NS | \$112,004 |
| Chief Attorney | NS | \$110,295 | Deputy Chief Attorney | 532 | 109,222 |
| Dep. Chief Attorney | 532 | 103,334 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 103,962 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 102,408 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 97,449 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 96,490 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 93,711 | Principal Attorney | 531 | 94,968 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 86,877 | Associate Attorney | 528 | 86,524 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 83,460 | Associate Attorney | 528 | 78,890 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 83,460 | Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 80,043 | Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 |
| Principal Attorney | 531 | 42,093 | Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 68,125 | Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 |
| Princ. Court Analyst | 523 | 69,652 | Court Analyst | 518 | 45,792 |
| Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 53,560 | Court Analyst | 518 | 39,642 |
| Court Analyst | 518 | 53,644 | Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 48,401 |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 50,263 | Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 39,091 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 46,864 | Secretary | 514 | 43,456 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 43,456 | Secretary | 514 | 43,456 |
| Law Stenographer | 514 | 16,616 | Secretary | 514 | 41,734 |
| Secretary | 514 | 36,640 | Secretary | 514 | 40,994 |
| 2002-2003 Appropriati | ons: | | 2003-2004 Appropriatio | ns: | |
| Personal Service | | \$1,509,495 | Personal Service | | \$1,413,907 |
| Nonpersonal Service | | 404,000 | Nonpersonal Service | _ | 248,480 |
| Total: | | \$1,913,495 | Total: | | \$1,662,387 |

THIRD DEPARTMENT

| Title | Grade | 2/04 Salary | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------|--|--|
| Chief Attorney | NS | \$111,962 | | |
| Dep. Chief Attorney | 532 | 109,222 | | |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 75,097 | | |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 72,962 | | |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 72,958 | | |
| Associate Attorney | 528 | 71,201 | | |
| Princ. Court Analyst | 523 | 69,652 | | |
| Sr. Court Analyst | 521 | 62,908 | | |
| Asst. Court Analyst | 516 | 48,401 | | |
| Secretary | 514 | 43,456 | | |
| Secretary | 514 | 41,847 | | |
| Secretary | 514 | 39,202 | | |
| Secretary | 514 | 37,565 | | |
| Secretary | 514 | 31,528 | | |
| 2003-2004 Appropriations: | | | | |
| Personal Service | | \$909,109 | | |
| Nonpersonal Service | | 178,972 | | |
| Total: | | \$1,088,081 | | |