## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-23 September Term 2013 073478

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IN THE MATTER OF DUANE T. PHILLIPS, AN ATTORNEY AT LAW (Attorney No. 039111993)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 13-112 and DRB 13-133, concluding on the records certified by the Board pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-4(f)(default by respondent), that **DUANE T. PHILLIPS** of **ABSECON**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1993, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.3(lack of diligence), <u>RPC</u> 5.5(a)(practicing law while suspended), and <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b)(failure to comply with a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority), and good cause appearing;

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It is ORDERED that **DUANE T. PHILLIPS** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective March 11, 2014; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 1:20-20(b)(15) may (1) preclude the Disciplinary Review

Board from considering respondent's petition for reinstatement for a period of up to six months from the date respondent files proof of compliance; (2) be found to constitute a violation of <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b) and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(c); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:10-2; and it is further

ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 11th day of February, 2014.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT