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ORDER

Mr. Jung

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IN THE MATTER OF
RICHARD M. ROBERTS,
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW
(Attorney No. 261581971)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 08-362 and DRB 08-363, concluding that RICHARD M. ROBERTS of WEST CALDWELL, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1971, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.1(a)(gross neglect), RPC diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to keep client 1.3(lack of reasonably informed about status of the matter), RPC 1.5(b)(failure of fee in rate forth basis orset 1.9(a) (representing client whose interests are materially adverse to the interests of a former client), and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further concluded that respondent should be required to submit proof of his fitness to practice law and complete certain professional courses, and that after reinstatement to practice, he should practice law under supervision;

And the Court having determined from its review of the matter that a censure is the appropriate quantum of discipline for respondent's unethical conduct and that conditions should be placed on respondent's practice of law;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that RICHARD M. ROBERTS is hereby censured; and it is further

ORDERED that RICHARD M. ROBERTS shall enroll in and complete a course in law office management or its equivalent approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics on a schedule to be determined by the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is further

ORDERED that within sixty days after the filing date of this Order, respondent shall submit to the Office of Attorney Ethics proof of his fitness to practice law as attested to by a mental health professional approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics; 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 Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice,

Trenton, this 16th day of June, 2009.

The foregoing is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

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