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SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-40 September Term 2005

ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF VOLF ZEV BIRMAN, AN ATTORNEY AT LAW (Attorney No. 036121998) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 05-209, concluding that as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14, VOLF ZEV BIRMAN of STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1998, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months, respondent having been suspended from the practice of law in New York for a period of one year, for conduct that in New Jersey would constitute violation of RPC 7.2(c) (compensating a person for recommending a lawyer's services, RPC 7.3(d) (compensating a person to recommend the lawyer's employment by a client), RPC 8.4(b) (committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's fitness) and RPC 8.4(d) (engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice;

And the Court having determined in its review of the matter that a one-year suspension from practice is warranted;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that VOLF ZEV BIRMAN is suspended from the

practice of law for a period of one year and until the further Order of the Court, retroactive to May 12, 2004; and it is further

ORDERED that VOLF ZEV BIRMAN 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 <u>Rule</u> 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 incurred in the prosecution of this matter.

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 6th day of December, 2005.

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT