

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-97 September Term 2005

IN THE MATTER OF

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

THOMAS A. CATTANI,

(Attorney No. 035371988) :



The Disciplinary Review Board having field with the Court as a matter of final discipline its decision in 05-306, concluding that THOMAS A. CATTANI of LODI, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1988, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year for violating RPC 1.8(a) (prohibited business transaction with client), RPC 1.15(a) (negligent misappropriation), RPC 1.15(d) and Rule 1:21-6 (recordkeeping violations), RPC 8.4(b) (commission of criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness), and RCP 8.4(c) (conduct involving fraud, dishonesty, deceit, or misrepresentation), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **THOMAS A. CATTANI** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and until the further Order of the Court, effective April 24, 2006; and it is further

ORDERED that **THOMAS A. CATTANI** comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 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 RPC 8.1(b) and RPC 8.4(c); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to Rule 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 Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 28th day of March, 2006.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY