

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-85 September Term 2005

IN THE MATTER OF

FRANK J. COZZARELLI,

ORDER

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

(Attorney No. 021501977) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 05-284, concluding that as a matter of final discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-13(c), FRANK J. COZZARELLI of BELLEVILLE, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1977, and who thereafter was temporarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Court filed January 24, 2005, and who remains suspended at this time, should be suspended from practice for a period of one year on the basis of his guilty plea to one count of tax evasion (U.S.C.A. §7201), conduct in violation of RPC 8.4(b) (committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness), and RPC 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And FRANK J. COZZARELLI having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And the Court having determined that the thirteen months that respondent has been suspended from practice constitutes adequate discipline for his unethical conduct and that respondent should be eligible to apply for reinstatement to practice at this time;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that FRANK J. COZZARELLI is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period retroactive to January 24, 2005; and it is further

ORDERED that FRANK J. COZZARELŁI in erigible to apply to the Disciplinary Review Board for reinstatement to practice; and it is further

ORDERED that FRANK J. COZZARELLI continue to comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys until such time as he is reinstated; 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 6th day of March, 2006.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice Poritz and Justices Long, LaVecchia, Zazzali, Albin and Wallace, join in this Order, Justice Rivera-Soto votes to disbar respondent.

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

