ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 05-316, concluding that STEPHEN D. LANDFIELD, formerly of MORRIS PLAINS, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1984, and who has been suspended from the practice of law since November 1, 2004, pursuant to Orders of the Court filed October 1, 2004, May 12, 2005, and January 27, 2006, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b) (pattern of neglect), RPC 1.4(a) (failure to communicate with client), and RPC 1.16(d) (failure to return an unearned fee);

And the Disciplinary Review Board further having concluded that respondent's reinstatement to practice should be conditioned on his satisfaction of the requirements imposed in the Orders of suspension;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that STEPHEN D. LANDFIELD is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall not be reinstated to practice until all disciplinary matters pending against him are concluded and until respondent has satisfied all fee arbitration determinations, as ordered by the Court on October 1, 2004, and May 12, 2005; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent shall provide 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 respondent continue to comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

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.

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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