

IN THE MATTER OF

:

JAMES W. KENNEDY,

ORDER

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

(Attorney No. 017231982) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 02-456, concluding as a matter of final discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-13(c) that JAMES W. KENNEDY of TOMS RIVER, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1983, should be disciplined on the basis of respondent's conviction of one count of endangering the welfare of a child, a fourth-degree offense, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4b(5)(b);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having found that respondent's conviction constitutes a violation of RPC 8.4(b) (commission of a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer);

And JAMES W. KENNEDY having been ordered to show cause why he should not disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good case appearing;

It is ORDERED that JAMES W. KENNEDY is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months and until the further Order of the Court, effective October 13, 2003; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of suspension and that respondent comply with Rule 1:20-20; 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 16th day of September, 2003.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY SEP 19 2003

DISCIPLINARY REVIEW BOARD

## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-129 September Term 2002

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CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

- I, Thomas J. Foden, hereby certify:
- 1) I am employed by the State of New Jersey as a Administrative Specialist II, in the Supreme Court.
- 2) On SEPTEMBER 18, 2003, I personally mailed, regular mail and certified mail, 7000 1670 0009 2323 2402, to respondent JAMES W. KENNEDY, 2220 CHURCH ROAD, TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753, a copy of an Order filed SEPTEMBER 18, 2003.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Thomas J. Foden

