

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-207 September Term 2001

IN THE MATTER OF

ORDER

MICHAEL G. PAUL,

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

(Attorney No. 000031989) :

This matter having been duly presented to the Court pursuant to Rule 1:20-10-(b) following a motion for discipline by consent of MICHAEL G. PAUL of METUCHEN, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1989;

And the Office of Attorney Ethics and respondent having signed a stipulation of discipline by consent in which it was agreed that respondent violated RPC 8.4(b) (commitment of a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness) and that said conduct warrants a three-month suspension from the practice of law;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having reviewed the record pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(b)(3) to determine the appropriate measure of discipline for respondent's misconduct;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having determined that a three-month suspension is the appropriate discipline for respondent's ethics infractions and having granted the motion for discipline by consent;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having submitted the record of the proceedings to the Clerk of the Supreme Court for the entry of an Order of discipline in accordance with Rule 1:20-16(e);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that MICHAEL G. PAUL is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further order of the Court, effective July 1, 2002; 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 be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of suspension and that respondent comply with <u>Rule 1:20-20</u>; 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 27th day of June, 2002.

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

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