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SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-63 September Term 2001

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IN THE MATTER OF ARTHUR S. PATAKY, AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

ORDER

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 01-080, concluding that ARTHUR S. PATAKY of ORANGE, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1959, and who has been ineligible to practice law since December 12, 1994, for failure to pay the annual assessment to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection as required by <u>Rule</u> 1:28-2, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.1(a) (gross neglect), <u>RPC</u> 1.3 (lack of diligence), <u>RPC</u> 1.5(b) (failure to reduce fee basis to writing), <u>RPC</u> 1.16(a) (2) (failure to withdraw from representation when the lawyer's physical or mental condition materially impairs the lawyer's ability to represent the client), <u>RPC</u> 1.16(d) (failure to surrender client file), and <u>RPC</u> 5.5(a) (unauthorized practice of law), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **ARTHUR S. PATAKY** 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 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 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</u> 1:20-20; 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 21st day of February, 2002.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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