IN THE MATTER OF

DARRYL W. SIMPKINS,

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

(Attorney No. 045881984)

CORRECTED ORDER



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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 15-105, recommending that DARRYL W. SIMPKINS of HILLSBOROUGH, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1984, should be disbarred for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter), RPC 8.4(b) (commission of a criminal act that reflects adversely on the attorney's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer, and RPC 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And DARRYL W. SIMPKINS having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And the Court having determined that a three-year term of suspension is the appropriate quantum of discipline for respondent's unethical conduct;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **DARRYL W. SIMPKINS** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three years, effective March 30, 2016, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with  $\underline{\text{Rule}}$  1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule 1:20-20(c)</u>, respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of <u>Rule 1:20-20(b)(15)</u> 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 <u>RPC 8.1(b)</u> and <u>RPC 8.4(c)</u>; 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 Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 29th day of February, 2016.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT .

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