SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-210 September Term 2016 079969

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IN THE MATTER OF	
	:
MAXWELL X. COLBY,	
	:
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW	
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(Attorney No. 018361975)	

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 17-082, concluding on the record certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f) (default by respondent) that MAXWELL X. COLBY of OCEAN, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1975, and who has been suspended from the practice of law since March 24, 2017, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect); RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence); RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep client reasonably informed about the matter); RPC 3.4(c) (knowingly disobeying rules of a tribunal); RPC 5.5(a)(1)(practicing law while administratively ineligible); RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities); and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

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And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that MAXWELL X. COLBY is suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and until the further

Order of the Court, effective immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of <u>Rule</u> 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 <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b) and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(d); 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 <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 6th day of March, 2018.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT