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In the Matter of

Joan Othelia Pinnock,

An Attorney At Law

(Attorney No. 010881997)

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ORDER

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-036, concluding that **Joan Othelia Pinnock** of **Newark**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1997, 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> 1.1(b)(pattern of neglect), <u>RPC</u> 1.3 (lack of diligence), <u>RPC</u> 1.4(b)(failure to communicate with client), and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Joan Othelia Pinnock** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months, effective January 4, 2019; and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

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

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

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 3rd day of December, 2018.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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