## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-26 September Term 2018 081954

In the Matter of

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William E. Agrait,

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ORDER

An Attorney At Law

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(Attorney No. 039721983)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-131, concluding that **William E. Agrait** of **Newark**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1984, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.5(b)(failure to set forth in writing the basis or rate of a fee), and <u>RPC</u> 1.7(a)(conflict of interest);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further determined that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent should be required to complete nine credit hours of ethics courses, in addition to the ethics credits necessary to comply with Continuing Legal Education requirements, and to provide proof thereof to the Office of Attorney Ethics;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that William E. Agrait is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months, effective April 22, 2019, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent shall complete nine credit hours of courses in legal ethics, in addition to the credits necessary to comply with the Continuing Legal Education requirements

pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:42-1, and shall submit proof of his successful completion thereof to the Office of Attorney Ethics; 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 <u>Rule</u> 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 19th day of March, 2019.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT