SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-80 September Term2018 082383

In the Matter of David Charles Berman, An Attorney At Law (Attorney No. 003341986)

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ORDER

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-277, concluding on the record certified to the Board pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-4(f)(default by respondent), that **David Charles Berman**, formerly of **Morristown**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1986, and who has been suspended from practice since May 4, 2017, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months for violating <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b)(failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(d)(conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further concluded that the term of suspension should be consecutive to the two-year term of suspension imposed on May 4, 2017;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **David Charles Berman** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months, effective May 5, 2019, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent shall

comply with the conditions in the Court's Order filed May 4, 2017, which requires respondent to submit proof of his fitness to practice law to the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent continue to 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 16th day of July, 2019.

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT