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In the Matter of

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:

Richard Ledingham,

ORDER

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An Attorney At Law

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(Attorney No. 002001981)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-021, recommending that **Richard Ledingham**, formerly of **Saddle River**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1981, and who has been temporarily suspended from the practice of law since March 30, 2015, be disbarred for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.5(a)(charging an unreasonable fee), and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty, fraud deceit or misrepresentation);

And **Richard Ledingham** having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Richard Ledingham** be disbarred, effective immediately, and that his name be stricken from the roll of attorneys;

ORDERED that **Richard Ledingham** be and hereby is permanently restrained and enjoined from practicing law; and it is further

ORDERED that all funds, if any, currently existing or hereinafter deposited

in any New Jersey financial institution maintained by **Richard Ledingham** pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:21-6 be restrained from disbursement except on application to this Court, for good cause shown, and shall be transferred by the financial institution to the Clerk of the Superior Court, who is directed to deposit the funds in the Superior Court Trust Fund pending the further Order of this Court; and it is further

ORDERED that **Richard Ledingham** comply with <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20 dealing with disbarred attorneys; 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 29th day of October, 2019.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT