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In the Matter of

:

Barry J. Beran,

ORDER

An Attorney At Law

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(Attorney No. 019301980)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-092, concluding that **Barry J. Beran** of **Cherry Hill**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1981, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.3(lack of diligence), <u>RPC</u> 1.4(b)(failure to keep client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to comply with reasonable requests for information), and <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b) (failure to reply to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Barry J. Beran** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months and until the further Order of the Court, effective April 10, 2020; 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 10th day of March, 2020.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Heather Bater