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In the Matter of

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Howard J. Burger,

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An Attorney At Law

ORDER

(Attorney No. 007721974)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-348, concluding that **Howard J. Burger** of **Kenilworth**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1974, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.7(a)(2)(conflict of interest), <u>RPC</u> 1.8(a)(improper business transaction with a client), <u>RPC</u> 8.4(b)(commission of a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in other respects), and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation); and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Howard J. Burger** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years, effective November 6, 2020, 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 <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 Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 6th day of October, 2020.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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