

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-162 September Term 2019
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In the Matter of

Adam Luke Brent,

An Attorney At Law

(Attorney No. 007612002)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-372 and DRB 19-452, concluding on the records certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f)(default by respondent) that **Adam Luke Brent** of **Franklinville**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2003, and who has been suspended from practice since March 6, 2019, pursuant to Orders of this Court filed March 6, 2019, September 23, 2019, December 5, 2019, and May 21, 2020, should be suspended from practice for a consecutive period of two years for violating RPC 1.1(a)(gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b)(pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to keep the client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to reply to reasonable requests for information) RPC 1.4(c)(failure to explain a matter to the extent reasonable necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation), RPC 1.5(b)(failure to set forth in writing the rate or basis of the fee), RPC

8.1(b)(failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities) and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further determined that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent should provide proof of his fitness to practice law;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Adam Luke Brent** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years, effective May 22, 2021, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent shall submit proof of his fitness to practice law as attested to by a mental health professional approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall remain suspended from the practice of law pending his compliance with the Orders of this Court filed March 6, 2019, September 23, 2019, December 5, 2019, and May 21, 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 Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 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 RPC 8.1(b) and RPC 8.4(d); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to Rule 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J. Baker". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed title.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT