SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-129 September Term 2019

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In the Matter of

J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a, James M. Farrell,

An Attorney At Law

(Attorney No. 017011980)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-336, recommending that as a matter of final discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-13(c), J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a, James M. Farrell of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1980, and who has been temporarily suspended from the practice of law since February 16, 2017, be disbarred, based on respondent's conviction by a jury in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland of conspiracy to commit money laundering, money laundering, attempted tampering with an official proceeding, and attempted witness tampering, conduct that in New Jersey violates RPC 8.4(b)(commission of criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer) and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a, James M. Farrell having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a, James M. Farrell be disbarred, effective immediately, and that his name be stricken from the roll of

attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a, James M. Farrell 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 **J. Michael Farrell**, a/k/a, James M. Farrell pursuant to Rule 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 J. Michael Farrell, a/k/a James M. Farrell comply with Rule 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 1st day of December, 2020.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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