## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-15 September Term 2020 085018

In the Matter of

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Gary L. Mason,

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ORDER

An Attorney At Law

Heather J Sale

(Attorney No. 034001990)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 19-448, recommending that **Gary L. Mason** of **Manalapan**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1990, be disbarred for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.5(b)(failure to set forth in writing the basis or rate of the fee), <u>RPC</u> 1.7(a)(2)(engaging in a concurrent conflict of interest), <u>RPC</u> 1.8(a)(engaging in an improper business transaction with a client), <u>RPC</u> 1.15(a) and <u>In re Hollendonner</u>, 102 N.J. 21 (1985) (knowingly misappropriating client or escrow funds), <u>RPC</u> 1.15(b)(failure to promptly deliver funds to a third party), <u>RPC</u> 8.4(b)(committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer), and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(c)(engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And Gary L. Mason having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Gary L. Mason** be disbarred, effective immediately, and that his name be stricken from the roll of attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that all funds, if any, currently existing or hereinafter deposited in any New Jersey financial institution maintained by **Gary L. Mason** 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 **Gary L. Mason** be and hereby is permanently restrained and enjoined from practicing law; and it is further

ORDERED that **Gary L. Mason** 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Heather Sales