SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D- 95 September Term 2020 085673

In the Matter of Russell F. Anderson, Jr., An Attorney At Law (Attorney No. 038492006)

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This matter have been duly presented pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-10(b), following a granting of a motion for discipline by consent in DRB 20-319 of **Russell F. Anderson, Jr**., of **Ho-ho-kus**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2006;

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And the Office of Attorney Ethics and respondent having signed a stipulation of discipline by consent in which it was agreed that respondent violated <u>RPC</u> 1.15(a) (failure to safeguard funds and negligent misappropriation of client funds), <u>RPC</u> 1.15(b) (failure to promptly deliver client funds), and <u>RPC</u> 1.15(d) (failure to comply with recordkeeping provisions <u>R</u>.1:21-6);

And the parties having agreed that respondent's conduct violated <u>RPC</u> 1.15(a),(b) and (d), and that said conduct warrants a reprimand or lesser discipline; And the Disciplinary Review Board having determined that a reprimand is the appropriate discipline for respondent's unethical conduct and having granted the motion for discipline by consent in District Docket No. XIV-2018-0497E and XIV-2019-0471E;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further determined that respondent should disburse the funds held in the Freedom Bank attorney trust account to the clients identified and in the amounts specified in these proceedings within sixty days and that he should deposit the funds belonging to any of said clients whom he cannot locate into the Superior Court Trust Fund, within sixty days after the filing date of this Order;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having submitted the record of the proceedings to the Clerk of the Supreme Court for the entry of an order of discipline in accordance with <u>Rule</u> 1:20-16(e);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Russell F. Anderson**, Jr., of **Ho-ho-kus** is hereby reprimanded; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall disburse the funds held in the Freedom Bank attorney trust account to the clients identified and in the amounts specified in these proceedings within sixty days after the filing date of this Order and shall deposit the funds belonging to any of said clients whom he cannot locate into the Superior Court Trust Fund within sixty days after the filing date of this Order; 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 13th day of May, 2021.

Heather Bater

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT