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In the Matter of

:

John Charles Allen,

FILED ORDER

An Attorney At Law

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(Attorney No. 050991994)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 20-296, concluding that **John Charles Allen** of **New Brunswick**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1995, and who has been temporarily suspended from practice pursuant to Orders of the Court since July 6, 2021, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.15 (d) (failure to comply with recordkeeping rules), RPC 3.3 (a) (1) (false statement of material fact to a tribunal), 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 be required to attend a continuing legal education course in attorney recordkeeping and that he should be required to submit three-way reconciliations of his attorney books and

records to the Office of Attorney Ethics on a quarterly basis for a period of two years;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Charles John Allen** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, **John Charles Allen** shall successfully complete a continuing legal education course in attorney recordkeeping; and it is further

ORDERED that following reinstatement to practice, respondent shall submit monthly three-way reconciliations of his attorney books and records to the Office of Attorney Ethics on a quarterly basis for a period of two years and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that **John Charles Allen** shall remain suspended from practice pursuant to the Orders of temporary suspension issued by the Court, pending his compliance with the terms of said Orders and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with <u>Rule</u> 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 <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 <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Heather Sate