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In the Matter of :

David M. Schlachter :

ORDER

An Attorney at Law :

(Attorney No. 035542006) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 22-192, concluding that **David M. Schlachter** of **Passaic**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2006, should be suspended for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b) (failure to communicate with a client), RPC 1.4(c) (failure to explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit a client to make informed decisions), RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), and RPC 8.4(c) (engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **David M. Schlachter** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until further Order of the Court, effective July 27, 2023; and it is further

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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 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 <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 27th day of June, 2023.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Hather Bates

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