

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-89 September Term 2012
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IN THE MATTER OF
HAMDI M. RIFAI,
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW
(Attorney No. 059441994)

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ORDER

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 12-366, concluding on the record certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f) (default by respondent) that **HAMDI M. RIFAI**, formerly of **ROCHELLE PARK**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1994, and who has been suspended from the practice of law since March 9, 2011, pursuant to Orders of the Court, should be suspended from practice for a period of one year for violating RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities) and RPC 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial the administration of justice);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **HAMDI M. RIFAI** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and until the further Order of the Court, effective immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall not be reinstated to the practice of law until he has complied with the conditions ordered by the Court on January 20, 2011, and June 29, 2011; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing

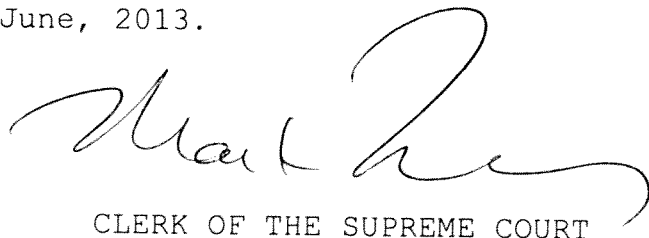
with suspended attorneys; and it is further

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(c); 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

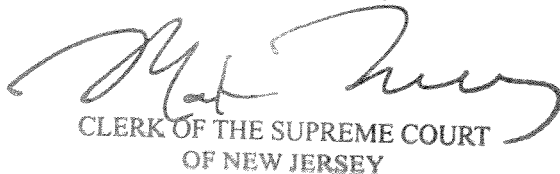
ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 4th day of June, 2013.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

The foregoing is a true copy
of the original on file in my office.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW JERSEY