SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-145 September Term 2012 072832

IN THE MATTER OF

ERNEST A. APONTE,

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

(Attorney No. 000262003)

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ORDER

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and his

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 12-371 and DRB 13-064, concluding that ERNEST A. APONTE of ATLANTIC CITY, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2005, should be censured for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b) (pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.15(d) and Rule 1:21-6 (recordkeeping violations), Rule 1:21-1A(a) (3) (failure to maintain liability insurance while practicing as a professional corporation), RPC 5.4(a) (sharing legal fees with a non-lawyer), RPC 5.4(b) (forming a partnership with a non-lawyer), and RPC 5.5(a) (practicing law in a jurisdiction where doing so violates the regulation of the legal profession in that jurisdiction), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that ${\tt ERNEST\ A.\ APONTE}$ is hereby censured; 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 $\underline{\text{Rule}}$ 1:20-17.

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW JERSEY