

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-71 September Term 1999

IN THE MATTER OF :
MARIA P. FORNARO, :
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW :

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Stephen Wilbur
CLERK

The Disciplinary Review Board on December 15, 1999, having filed with the Court its decision concluding that **MARIA P. FORNARO**, formerly of **MORRISTOWN**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1989, and who thereafter was suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months, effective March 24, 1998, and who remains suspended at this time, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b) (pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(a) (failure to communicate), RPC 1.5(b) (failure to provide client with written fee agreement), RPC 1.16(d) (failure to terminate representation properly), and RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with ethics authorities), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **MARIA P. FORNARO** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years and until the further Order of the Court, retroactive to December 15, 1999; and it is further

ORDERED that the conditions established by the Court in the Order of three-month suspension dated February 26, 1998, which require respondent to complete the Skills and Methods Courses offered by Institute for Continuing Legal Education prior to any application for reinstatement and that on reinstatement to practice, respondent shall practice under the supervision of a practicing attorney approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics for a period of two years, and until further Order of the Court, are hereby made a part of this Order; and it is further

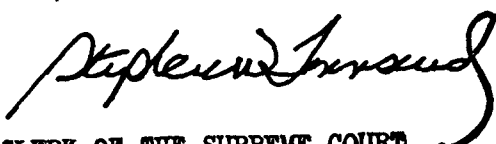
ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

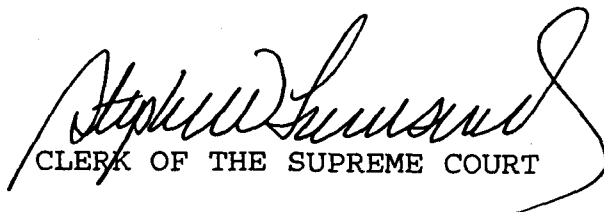
ORDERED that respondent continue to be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of suspension and that respondent continue to comply with Rule 1:20-20; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs incurred in the prosecution of this matter.

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 21st day of March, 2000.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original on file in my office.


CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
OF NEW JERSEY


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