SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-13 September Term 2007

IN THE MATTER OF

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KENNETH STANFORD WARD,

ORDER

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

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(Attorney No. 035852000)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 07-103, concluding that as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14(a)(4)(E), KENNETH STANFORD WARD of BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2001, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year based on discipline imposed in Maryland that in New Jersey violates RPC 1.1(a)(gross neglect), RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to keep client reasonably informed and to promptly respond to requests for information), RPC 1.4(c)(failure to explain matter to extent necessary to permit client to make informed decisions), RPC 1.5(a)(unreasonable fees), RPC 5.3(c)(supervisory violations), RPC 8.4(a)(violating RPCs), RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation), and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice);

And KENNETH STANFORD WARD having been ordered to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that KENNETH STANFORD WARD 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 in New Jersey unless and until he is reinstated to practice in Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with <u>Rule 1:20-20</u> dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 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(c); 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 Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 8th day of April, 2008.

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

MILLIA SHILL

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY CLERK OF THE SUPREME CO

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