

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
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IN THE MATTER OF
RICHARD LEDINGHAM,
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW
(Attorney No. 002001981)

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 06-235, concluding that RICHARD LEDINGHAM of UPPER SADDLE RIVER, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1981, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.5(a) (charging an unreasonable fee), RPC 3.4(g) (threatening criminal action to collect fee), and RPC 8.4(c) (fees so clearly inflated as to constitute dishonesty), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that RICHARD LEDINGHAM is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective March 5, 2007; and it is further

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

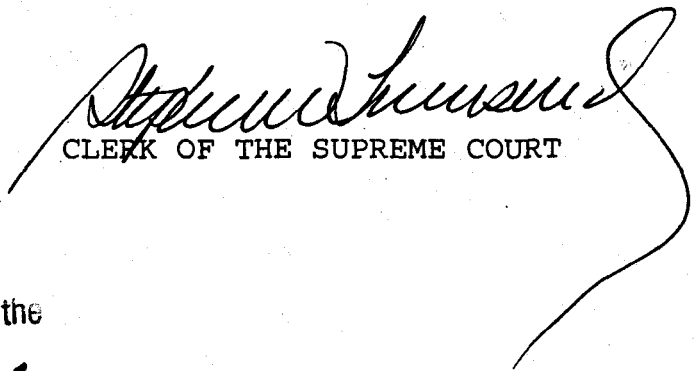
ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 1:20-20(b) (15) may (1) preclude the Disciplinary Review

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

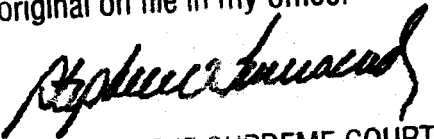
ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

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 James R. Zazzali, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 6th day of February, 2007.


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

