

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-76 September Term 2003

IN THE MATTER OF :
E. EDWARD BOWMAN, a/k/a :
ELMER EDWARD BOWMAN, :
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW :
(Attorney No. 023801984) :

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 03-295, concluding that E. EDWARD BOWMAN, a/k/a ELMER EDWARD BOWMAN, of BRIDGETON, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1984, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b) (pattern of neglect), RPC 1.2(a) (failure to abide by a client's decision), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(a) (failure to communicate with client), RPC 1.4(b) (failure to explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit client to make informed decisions regarding representation), RPC 1.16(a) (failure to decline or withdraw from representation of a client when the attorney's physical or mental condition materially impaired ability to represent client), and RPC 8.4(c) (conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further concluded that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent should be required to submit proof of his fitness to practice;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that E. EDWARD BOWMAN, a/k/a ELMER EDWARD BOWMAN, is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective May 18, 2004; and it is further

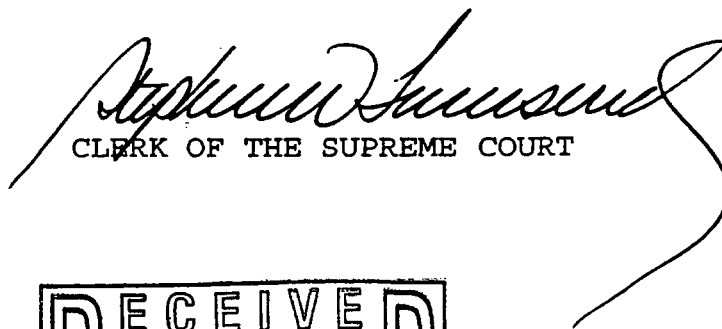
ORDERED that respondent be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of suspension and that respondent comply with Rule 1:20-20; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement to practice, respondent shall submit proof of his fitness to practice law as attested to by a mental health professional approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is

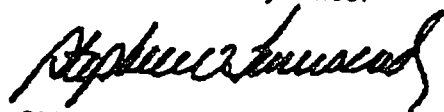
ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

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

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 22nd day of April, 2004.


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

