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IN THE MATTER OF :
FRANCIS X. GAVIN, :
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW :

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 00-349, concluding that FRANCIS X. GAVIN of HACKETTSTOWN, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1981, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months for violating RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(a) (failure to communicate), RPC 1.16(d) (failure to surrender client file on termination of representation), RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), and RPC 8.4(d) (conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice), and good cause appearing;

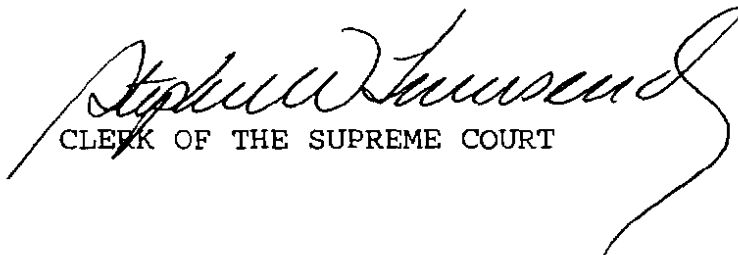
It is ORDERED that FRANCIS X. GAVIN is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months and until the further Order of the Court, effective March 19, 2002; and it is further

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 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 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 February, 2002.


CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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

