

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-26 September Term 2015
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IN THE MATTER OF
THOMAS E. DOWNS, IV,
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW
(Attorney No. 016491975)

ORDER

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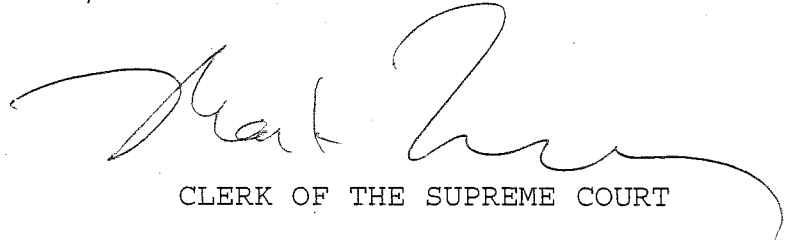
The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 15-117, concluding on the record certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f) (default by respondent) that THOMAS E. DOWNS, IV, of SOUTH AMBOY, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1975, should be censured for violating RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep client reasonably informed), RPC 1.5(b) (failure to provide in writing rate or basis of attorney's fee), RPC 1.16(d) (failure to return unearned retainer), and RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that THOMAS E. DOWNS, IV, is hereby censured; 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

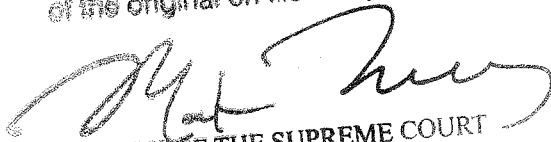
ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at
Trenton, this 8th day of March, 2016.



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