

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-174 September Term 2015
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IN THE MATTER OF
JOHN O. PARAGANO,
AN ATTORNEY AT LAW
(Attorney No. 015001990)

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ORDER

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 15-366, concluding that as a matter of final discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-13(c), JOHN O. PARAGANO of UNION TOWNSHIP, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1990, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months based on respondent's guilty plea in the Superior Court of New Jersey to the disorderly persons offense of simple assault, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:1a(1), conduct that violates RPC 8.4(b) (commission of a criminal act that reflects adversely on honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that JOHN O. PARAGANO is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months effective December 16, 2016, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

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

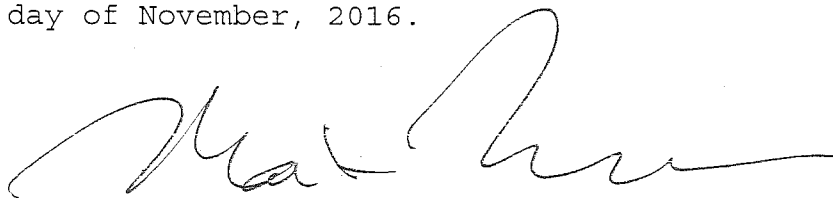
ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's

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 Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 16th day of November, 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