

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-91 September Term 2018
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In the Matter of
John C. Smith, Jr.,
An Attorney At Law
(Attorney No. 012951990)

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Heather J. Salen
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ORDER

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-298, recommending that as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14(a)(4)(E), **John C. Smith, Jr.**, formerly of **Cherry Hill**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1990, be disbarred based discipline imposed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for unethical conduct that in New Jersey constitutes violations of RPC 1.3(lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter or to promptly comply with reasonable requests for information), RPC 1.15(a)(knowing misappropriation of client trust funds), RPC 1.15(b) (failure to promptly deliver funds to a client), RPC 1.15(d)(recordkeeping violations), RPC 8.4(b)(criminal conduct that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer), RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation), and the principles of In re Wilson, 81 N.J. 451 (1979) and In re Siegel, 133 N.J.

163 (knowing misappropriation of client settlement funds);

And **John C. Smith, Jr.**, having failed to appear on the Order directing him to show cause why he should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **John C. Smith, Jr.**, be disbarred, effective immediately, and that his name be stricken from the roll of attorneys;

ORDERED that **John C. Smith, Jr.**, be and hereby is permanently restrained and enjoined from practicing law; and it is further

ORDERED that all funds, if any, currently existing or hereinafter deposited in any New Jersey financial institution maintained by **John C. Smith, Jr.**, pursuant to Rule 1:21-6 be restrained from disbursement except on application to this Court, for good cause shown, and shall be transferred by the financial institution to the Clerk of the Superior Court, who is directed to deposit the funds in the Superior Court Trust Fund pending the further Order of this Court; and it is further

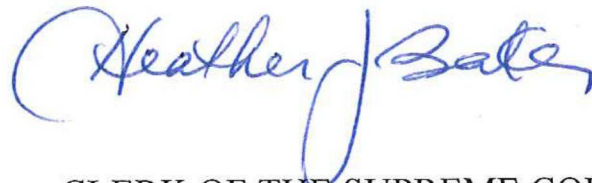
ORDERED that **John C. Smith, Jr.**, comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with disbarred attorneys; and it is further

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 24th day of April, 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Heather J. Bates". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H" and "B".

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT