

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
D-96 September Term 2018

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In the Matter of

Bassel Bakhos,

An Attorney At Law

(Attorney No. 032072002)

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*Heather J. Baker*  
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ORDER

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-322, concluding that **Bassel Bakhos** of **Bridgewater**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2002, should be censured for violating RPC 1.1(a)(gross neglect), RPC 1.1(b)(pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to communicate with client), RPC 1.16(a)(2)(failure to withdraw from representation, RPC 3.3(a)(1)(lack of candor toward a tribunal), RPC 3.3(a)(5)(failure to disclose a material fact to a tribunal), RPC 3.4(d)(failure to make reasonably diligent efforts to comply with legally proper discovery requests from an opposing party), RPC 4.1(a)(1)(false statement of material fact or law to a third party), RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation), and RPC 8.4(d)(conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice;

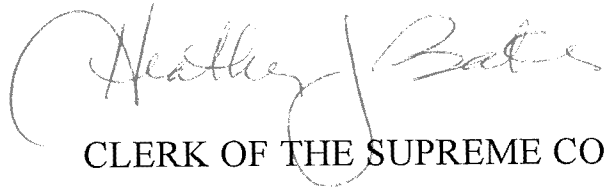
And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Bassel Bakhos** 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J. Bates". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed title of the signatory.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT