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In the Matter of

Richard C. Gordon, FILED

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An Attorney At Law : NOV - 5 2021 ORDER

(Attorney No. 044991999) : (Keather & Sale CLERK)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 20-209, concluding that as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14(a), **Richard C. Gordon** of **West Hartford, Connecticut**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2000, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months based on discipline imposed in the state of Connecticut for unethical conduct that in New Jersey is in violation of RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence); RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to promptly comply with reasonable requests for information),

RPC 1.5(a) (unreasonable fee), RPC 5.5(a)(1) (unauthorized practice of law), and RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Richard C. Gordon** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months, effective December 3, 2021, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

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

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of <u>Rule</u> 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 <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b) and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(d); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 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 <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 1st day of November, 2021.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Heather Saken