

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY  
D-106 September Term 2021  
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In the Matter of  
Stephen E. Smith,  
An Attorney At Law  
(Attorney No. 018501980)

CORRECTED ORDER

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The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 21-258 concluding that **Stephen E. Smith** of **Toms River**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1980, should be censured for violating RPC 1.5(a)(charging an unreasonable fee), RPC 1.15(b)(failure to promptly deliver to the client funds that the client is entitled to receive); and RPC 8.4(c) (engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Stephen E. Smith** 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2023.

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