

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
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In the Matter of
Matthew J. Trella,
An Attorney At Law
(Attorney No. 258381970)

FILED ORDER
MAY 31 2023

Heather J. Salen
CLERK

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 22-057, concluding that **Matthew J. Trella** of **Clifton**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1970, should be censured for violating RPC 1.1(a)(gross neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4(b)(failure to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to comply with reasonable requests for information), RPC 1.5(a)(fee overreaching), RPC 1.5(b)(failure to set forth in writing the basis or rate of the legal fee), RPC 1.8(a)(improper business transaction with a client), RPC 1.15(a)(negligent misappropriation of escrow funds), RPC 1.15(b)(failure to promptly deliver funds to a client or a third party), RPC 8.1(a)(false statement of material fact in a disciplinary matter), and RPC 8.4(c)(conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Matthew J. Trella** 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 16th day of May, 2023.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT