

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-84 September Term 2022
088270**

In the Matter of :
Brian O. Williams :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 029852008) :

O R D E R

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 23-016, concluding as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14(a), that **Brian O. Williams of Port Saint Lucie, Florida**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2009, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months based on discipline imposed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for unethical conduct that in New Jersey constitutes violations of RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect) (four instances), RPC 1.1(b) (pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence) (four instances), RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter) (five instances), RPC 1.4(c) (failure to explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions) (four instances), RPC 3.2 (failure to expedite litigation) (two instances), and RPC 8.4(d) (engage in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice);

And the Disciplinary Review Board having further determined that prior to reinstatement, respondent should provide to the Office of Attorney Ethics proof of respondent's fitness to practice law, as attested to by a medical doctor approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics;

And respondent's license to practice law having been administratively revoked pursuant to Rule 1:28-2(c) on June 26, 2023;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Brian O. Williams** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months and until further Order of the Court, which shall be deferred until such time that respondent is readmitted to the bar of New Jersey; and it is further

ORDERED that prior to reinstatement, respondent shall provide to the Office of Attorney Ethics proof of respondent's fitness to practice law, as attested to by a medical doctor approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is further

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

ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to

comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 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 RPC 8.1(b) and RPC 8.4(d); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to Rule 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 Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 3rd day of October, 2023.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J. Baker".

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT