

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-17 September Term 2021
086295**

In the Matter of :
David L. Johnson :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 018191975) :

O R D E R

This matter has been duly presented pursuant to Rule 1:20-10(b), following a granting of a motion for discipline by consent in DRB 21-025 of **David L. Johnson of Newton**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1975;

And the Office of Attorney Ethics and respondent having signed a stipulation of discipline by consent in which it was agreed that respondent violated RPC 1.8(a) (a lawyer shall not enter a business transaction with a client or knowingly acquire an ownership, possessory, security or other pecuniary interest adverse to a client) (eight instances);

And the parties having agreed that respondent's conduct violated RPC 1.8(a), and that said conduct warrants a reprimand or such lesser discipline as the Disciplinary Review Board deems appropriate;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having determined that a reprimand

is the appropriate discipline for respondent's unethical conduct and having granted the motion for discipline by consent in District Docket No. XIV-2018-0130E;

And the Disciplinary Review Board having submitted the record of the proceedings to the Clerk of the Supreme Court for the entry of an order of discipline in accordance with Rule 1:20-16(e);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **David L. Johnson** of **Newton** is hereby reprimanded; 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 1st day of November, 2023.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT