

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-42 September Term 2024
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In the Matter of :
Brian Michael Dratch :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 018642000) :

O R D E R

The Disciplinary Review Board, in DRB 24-199, having granted a motion for discipline by consent, pursuant to Rule 1:20-10(b), of **Brian Michael Dratch** of **Livingston**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2000; and

The Office of Attorney Ethics and respondent having signed a stipulation of discipline by consent in which the parties agreed that respondent violated RPC 1.1(a) (engaging in gross neglect), RPC 1.3 (lacking diligence), RPC 1.4(b) (failing to communicate with a client), RPC 1.4(c) (failing to explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation), RPC 1.15(a) (failing to safeguard client property), RPC 1.16(d) (failing to protect a client's interests upon termination of the representation), RPC 8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with

disciplinary authorities), and RPC 8.4(d) (engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice), and that respondent's conduct warrants a reprimand or such lesser discipline as the Disciplinary Review Board deems appropriate; and

The Disciplinary Review Board having determined: that respondent violated RPC 1.1(a), RPC 1.3, RPC 1.4(b), RPC 1.4(c), and RPC 1.16(d); to dismiss the charges that respondent violated RPC 1.15(a), RPC 8.1(b), and RPC 8.4(d); and that a reprimand is the appropriate discipline for respondent's unethical conduct; 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 **Brian Michael Dratch** 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
11th day of December, 2024.


CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT