

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-105 September Term 2023
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In the Matter of :
Russell F. Anderson, Jr. :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 038492006) :

O R D E R

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its consolidated decision in DRB 23-256 and DRB 24-026, recommending that **Russell F. Anderson, Jr. of Hasbrouck Heights**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2006, should be censured for violating RPC 1.1(a) (engaging in gross neglect) (two instances), RPC 1.3 (lacking diligence) (two instances), RPC 1.4(b) (failing to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to comply with reasonable requests for information), RPC 8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), and RPC 8.4(c) (engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation); and

The Disciplinary Review Board having further recommended that respondent be required to submit proof to the Office of Attorney Ethics within thirty days that (1) the beneficiary of the estate has received the remainder of

the funds to which the beneficiary was entitled; (2) the administration of the estate is complete; and (3) all required tax returns related to the estate have been filed; and

The Court, on September 6, 2024, having ordered respondent to submit proof to the Office of Attorney Ethics within thirty days that the beneficiary of the estate has received the remainder of the funds to which the beneficiary was entitled, and to further certify to the Office of Attorney Ethics within thirty days the status as to the administration of the estate and the tax returns required to be filed related to the estate; and

Respondent having failed to comply with the Court's September 6, 2024 order; and

The Court, on October 16, 2024, having temporarily suspended respondent from the practice of law, effective immediately and until further order of the Court, and ordered respondent to show cause before the Court on January 21, 2025, why respondent should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined; and

The Office of Attorney Ethics, on January 6, 2025, having advised the Court that respondent submitted proof that the beneficiary of the estate has received the remainder of the funds to which the beneficiary was entitled, the

administration of the estate is complete, and all required tax returns related to the estate have been filed;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Russell F. Anderson, Jr.** is hereby censured; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent is reinstated to the practice of law, effectively immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that the Order to Show Cause, filed on October 16, 2024, is hereby vacated; 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 13th day of January, 2025.



CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT