## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-10 September Term 2024 089868

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In the Matter of	:	
Conrad J. Benedetto	: O R D	
An Attorney at Law	:	0 K D
(Attorney No. 013921981)	:	

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 24-082, recommending as a matter of final discipline pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-13(c)(2) that **Conrad J. Benedetto**, formerly of **Philadelphia**,

**Pennsylvania**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1983, and who has been temporarily suspended from the practice of law since February 1, 2023, should be disbarred, following his guilty plea and convictions in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to three counts of misdemeanor willful failure to file tax returns, 26 U.S.C. §7203, and one count of felony willful failure to remit payroll taxes, 26 U.S.C. §7202, and for violating RPC 8.4(b) (committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on a lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer) and RPC 8.4(c) (engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation); and

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Respondent having been ordered to show cause why respondent should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined; and

The Court having determined that a five-year suspension from the practice of law is the appropriate quantum of discipline for respondent's unethical conduct;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Conrad J. Benedetto** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of five years, retroactive to February 1, 2023, and until further order of the Court; and it is further

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

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of <u>Rule</u> 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 <u>Rule</u> 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

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Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 6th day of January, 2025.

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT