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In the Matter of :

Howard Alan Bachman :

ORDER

An Attorney at Law :

(Attorney No. 020411985) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 25-037, recommending on the basis of a disciplinary stipulation that **Howard Alan Bachman** of **Red Bank**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1985, should be reprimanded for violating RPC 1.7(a)(2) (engaging in a concurrent conflict of interest), RPC 1.15(a) (commingling) (two instances), RPC 1.15(a) (failing to safeguard entrusted funds), RPC 1.15(a) (negligently misappropriating entrusted funds), RPC 1.15(d) (failing to comply with the recordkeeping requirements of <u>Rule</u> 1:21-6) (two instances), RPC 5.3(c)(3) (rendering a lawyer responsible for the conduct of a nonlawyer assistant that would be a violation of the <u>Rules of Professional Conduct</u> if engaged in by the lawyer under certain circumstances), and RPC 8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with disciplinary authorities);

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And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Howard Alan Bachman** 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 <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 12th day of November, 2025.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Heather Sales