

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-72 September Term 2025
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In the Matter of :

Richard Donnell Robinson :

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An Attorney at Law :

(Attorney No. 001912004) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its consolidated decision in DRB 25-214 and DRB 25-276, recommending on the record certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f) (default by respondent) that **Richard Donnell Robinson**, formerly of **Burlington**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2004, and who has been suspended from the practice of law since December 14, 2025, by order filed November 14, 2025, should be suspended from the practice of law for one year for violating RPC 1.3 (lacking diligence), RPC 1.4(b) (failing to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and to promptly comply with reasonable requests for information), RPC 1.5(b) (failing to set forth, in writing, the basis or rate of the legal fee), RPC 1.15(d) (failing to comply with the recordkeeping requirements of Rule 1:21-6), RPC 1.16(d) (failing to refund the unearned portion of the fee to a client upon termination of representation), and RPC

8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with disciplinary authorities) (four instances); and

The Disciplinary Review Board having further recommended that respondent be required to disgorge \$6,000 to respondent's former client, Magdy Mohamed Ahmed II, within thirty days of the Court's order; and

The Disciplinary Review Board having further recommended that prior to reinstatement respondent be required to (1) attend a trust and business accounting class approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics, and (2) provide proof to the OAE that he has corrected all deficiencies identified during the random audit; and

The Disciplinary Review Board having further recommended that following reinstatement to the practice of law, respondent be required to submit to the Office of Attorney Ethics, on a quarterly basis, monthly three-way reconciliations for a period of two years; and

Richard Donnell Robinson having failed to appear on the order to show cause why respondent should not be disbarred or otherwise disciplined; and

The Court having determined that an indeterminate suspension is the appropriate quantum of discipline;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Richard Donnell Robinson** is hereby suspended from the practice of law for an indeterminate period pursuant to Rule 1:20-

15A(a)(2), effective immediately, and until further order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that, pursuant to Rule 1:20-15A(a)(2), respondent shall not petition for reinstatement to practice for a period of four years following the effective date of the indeterminate suspension; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall remain suspended from the practice of law pursuant to the Court's orders filed on November 14, 2025 and December 16, 2025; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall disgorge \$6,000 to respondent's former client, Magdy Mohamed Ahmed II, within thirty days; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall, prior to reinstatement, attend a trust and business accounting class approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics and provide proof to the Office of Attorney Ethics that respondent has corrected all deficiencies identified during the random audit; and it is further

ORDERED that upon reinstatement respondent shall submit to the Office of Attorney Ethics, on a quarterly basis, monthly three-way reconciliations for two years; and it is further

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

ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to

comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 1:20-20(b)(15) may (1) preclude the Attorney Regulatory 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 Rule 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 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 9th day of September, 2026.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J. Baker". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the title "CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT".

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT