SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022

THE COURT MADE THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MISCELLANEOUS RECORD

M.R.030985 - In re: Paul D. Buhl. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose reciprocal discipline pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 763. <u>Allowed</u>. Respondent Paul D. Buhl, who has been disciplined in the State of Connecticut, is suspended from the practice of law in the State of Illinois for two (2) years and until he is reinstated to the practice of law in the State of Connecticut.

Suspension effective February 10, 2022.

Respondent Paul D. Buhl shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.031001 - In re: David William Belconis. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Denied.

M.R.031005 - In re: Robert John Hankes. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by respondent Robert John Hankes for leave to file exceptions to the report and recommendation of the Review Board. <u>Denied</u>. Respondent Robert John Hankes is suspended from the practice of law for three (3) years and until he successfully completes the ARDC Professionalism Seminar, as recommended by the Review Board.

Suspension effective February 10, 2022.

Respondent Robert John Hankes shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.031010 - In re: Brent Michael Wills. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Brent Michael Wills is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year and until further order of the Court, with the suspension stayed after five (5) months by a two (2) year period of probation, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Within the first thirty (30) days of the supervision period, respondent shall submit to an evaluation conducted by the Illinois Lawyers' Assistance Program and shall comply with any and all treatment recommendations of that program. Respondent shall provide an appropriate release authorizing the Lawyers' Assistance Program to communicate with the Administrator in writing regarding its treatment recommendations based on the evaluation, whether respondent is following them, and respondent's participation and progress in any programs sponsored by the Lawyers' Assistance Program:
- b. Respondent shall continue in his course of psychotherapy with a licensed clinical therapist, or such other qualified mental health professional acceptable to the Administrator, and shall report to his therapist, or such other qualified mental health professional, on a regular basis of not less than

- two (2) times per month as determined by his therapist, with the Administrator advised of any change in attendance deemed warranted by such professional;
- Respondent shall comply with any and all treatment and continuing care recommendations of his current therapist, or other treatment provider approved by the Administrator, including the taking of medications as prescribed;
- d. Respondent shall provide the Administrator and his therapist or other treatment provider and treatment program(s) with an appropriate release, authorizing the treating professionals to: (1) disclose to the Administrator, on at least a quarterly basis, information pertaining to the nature of respondent's compliance with any treatment plan established with respect to respondent's condition; (2) to promptly report to the Administrator respondent's failure to comply with any part of the established treatment plan; and (3) to respond to any inquiries by the Administrator regarding respondent's treatment and compliance with any established treatment plan;
- Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and shall timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to his conduct;
- f. Respondent shall reimburse the Commission for the costs of this proceeding as defined in Supreme Court Rule 773 and, at least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation;
- g. At least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, respondent shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct;
- h. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within seven (7) days of any arrest or charge alleging his violation of any criminal or quasi-criminal statute or ordinance;

- Respondent shall attend meetings as scheduled by the Commission probation officer. Respondent shall submit quarterly written reports to the Commission probation officer concerning the status of his practice of law and the nature and extent of his compliance with the conditions of probation;
- j. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change of address;
- k. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining portion of the one (1) year period of suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any term of probation has been violated and shall continue until further order of the Court; and
- I. Probation shall terminate without further order of the Court provided respondent complies with the above conditions.

Suspension effective February 10, 2022.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.031038 - In re: Timothy J. Fitzgerald. Disciplinary Commission.

Motion by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to approve and confirm the report and recommendation of the Hearing Board. <u>Allowed</u>. Respondent Timothy J. Fitzgerald is suspended from the practice of law for three (3) years and until further order of the Court, retroactive to March 8, 2018.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.031039 - In re: Michael Christopher Burr. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Michael Christopher Burr is censured and required to successfully complete the ARDC Professionalism Seminar within one (1) year of the Court's final order of discipline.

M.R.031063 - In re: Edward William Hynes. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to impose discipline on consent pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(b). Allowed. Respondent Edward William Hynes is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year and until further order of Court, with the suspension stayed after ninety (90) days by a three (3) year period of probation, subject to the following conditions which shall commence upon the effective date of the Court's order of discipline:

- Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Supreme Court Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and shall timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to his conduct;
- Respondent shall reimburse the Commission for the costs of this proceeding as defined in Supreme Court Rule 773 and, at least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation;
- c. At least thirty (30) days prior to the termination of the period of probation, respondent shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from his conduct;
- d. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within seven (7) days of any arrest or charge alleging his violation of any criminal or quasi-criminal statute or ordinance;
- e. Respondent shall attend meetings as scheduled by the Commission probation officer. Respondent shall submit quarterly written reports to the Commission probation officer concerning the status of his practice of law and the nature and extent of his compliance with the conditions of probation;
- f. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change of address;
- g. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining portion of the one (1) year period of suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any term of probation

has been violated and shall continue until further order of the Court;

- h. Probation shall terminate without further order of the Court provided respondent complies with the above conditions;
- Respondent shall successfully complete an appropriate course of instruction on the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct, subject to the approval of the Administrator, within the first six (6) months of probation;
- j. Respondent shall, within the first sixty (60) days of probation, enroll in a mentoring program, approved as a sponsor by the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and acceptable to the Administrator. Upon enrollment, respondent shall notify the Administrator, in writing, of the name of the mentor with whom respondent is assigned to work. Respondent shall successfully complete the mentoring program at least thirty (30) days prior to the end of the probation term;
- Respondent shall comply with all treatment recommendations of Dr. Charles Kaegi or such other qualified mental health professional, including the taking of medications as prescribed;
- I. Respondent shall provide to Dr. Charles Kaegi, or such other qualified mental health professional, an appropriate release authorizing the treating professional to: (1) disclose to the Administrator on at least a quarterly basis information pertaining to the nature of respondent's compliance with any treatment plan established with respect to respondent's condition; (2) promptly report to the Administrator respondent's failure to comply with any part of an established treatment plan; and (3) respond to any inquiries by the Administrator regarding respondent's mental or emotional state or compliance with any established treatment plans; and
- m. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within fourteen (14) days of any change in treatment professionals.

Suspension effective February 10, 2022.

M.R.031064 - In re: Mark A. Hamill. Disciplinary Commission.

Motion by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission to approve and confirm the report and recommendation of the Hearing Board. <u>Allowed</u>. Respondent Mark A. Hamill is suspended from the practice of law for three (3) years and until further order of the Court and until he pays restitution in the amount of \$2,975 to Linda Curcio.