

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

In the Matter of:

MICHAEL ALLEN LANCASTER,

Attorney-Movant,

No. 6180310.

Supreme Court No. M.R.

Commission No. 2023PR00012

MOTION PURSUANT TO SUPREME COURT RULE 762(a)

Movant, Michael Allen Lancaster, respectfully represents to the Court that:

1. On November 5, 1981, Movant was licensed by this court to practice law in Illinois.
2. Movant desires to have his name stricken from the Master Roll of Attorneys pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(a), effective immediately.
3. Filed contemporaneously with this motion is a statement of charges prepared by the Administrator and Movant's affidavit in support of this motion.

WHEREFORE, Movant respectfully requests that the Court enter an order striking his name from the Master Roll of Attorneys.

  
Michael Allen Lancaster

Michael Allen Lancaster  
2406 Unit B  
Coventry Court  
Sterling, IL. 61081  
[mikethebigelk@yahoo.com](mailto:mikethebigelk@yahoo.com)

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

**FILED**

March 31, 2023

**ARDC CLERK**

FILED

March 31, 2023

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

ARDC CLERK

In the Matter of:

MICHAEL ALLEN LANCASTER,

Attorney-Movant,

No. 6180310.

Supreme Court No. M.R.

Commission No. 2023PR00012

## AFFIDAVIT

Michael Allen Lancaster, being first duly sworn, on oath states:

1. Affiant has filed with this Court a motion to strike his name from the Master Roll of Attorneys licensed to practice law in Illinois, pursuant to Rule 762(a).
2. Affiant has received and reviewed a copy of the Administrator's statement of charges which are pending against him. If the matter proceeded to a hearing, the judgment of conviction would be offered into evidence and would constitute conclusive evidence of his guilt of the crime for which he was convicted, for purposes of this disciplinary proceeding.
3. Affiant's motion is freely and voluntarily made.
4. Affiant understands the nature and consequences of the motion.

  
Michael Allen Lancaster

Michael Allen Lancaster  
2406 Unit B  
Coventry Court  
Sterling, IL. 61081  
[mikethebigelk@yahoo.com](mailto:mikethebigelk@yahoo.com)

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

CERTIFICATION

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that he verily believes the same to be true.

3.27.23  
Date

  
Michael Allen Lancaster

Michael Allen Lancaster  
2406 Unit B  
Coventry Court  
Sterling, IL. 61081  
[mikethebigelk@yahoo.com](mailto:mikethebigelk@yahoo.com)

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

FILED

March 31, 2023

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

ARDC CLERK

In the Matter of:

MICHAEL ALLEN LANCASTER,

Attorney-Movant,

No. 6180310.

Supreme Court No. M.R.

Commission No. 2023PR00012

## STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Jerome Larkin, Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission (“ARDC”), by his attorney, Peter L. Rotskoff, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 762(a), states that on the date Michael Allen Lancaster (hereinafter “Movant”) filed a motion requesting that his name be stricken from the Roll of Attorneys, the Administrator was investigating the conduct that formed the basis for Movant’s conviction for the offense of Battery, a Class A misdemeanor, in the Circuit Court of Whiteside County. Had Movant’s conduct been the subject of a hearing, the Administrator would have introduced the evidence described below, and that evidence would have clearly and convincingly established the following conclusions of misconduct:

## I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Records from the ARDC and from the Circuit Court of Whiteside County, including the judgment of conviction and sentencing order, would have established the following facts:

1. Movant was admitted to practice law in the state of Illinois on November 5, 1981. On January 3, 2020, Movant assumed retirement status in Illinois.
2. On October 10, 2019, Movant was charged by Information with two counts of Criminal Sexual Assault and one count of Unlawful Restraint in the Circuit Court of Whiteside County. The Information alleged that Movant has sexually assaulted and unlawfully restrained

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

S.L.W., a female client, while she was in Movant's office. *People v. Lancaster*, 2019CF301, Whiteside County, Illinois.

3. On October 29, 2019, Movant was charged with one count of Criminal Sexual Assault against another female, S.N.P. *People v. Lancaster*, 2019CF318, Whiteside County, Illinois.

4. On May 5, 2022, the Special Prosecutor in cases 2019CF301 and 2019CF318, dismissed all charges described above and filed a fourth count in case 2019CF301, alleging that Movant committed Battery, a Class A misdemeanor, by knowingly making "physical and sexual contact" with his client S.L.W., the victim identified in the original Information.

5. On May 5, 2022, Movant pled guilty to the charge of Battery, described in paragraph four, above, and was sentenced a term of 18 months of conditional discharge with conditions including that Movant "not seek reinstatement of his license to practice law nor maintain a license to practice law."

## II. CONCLUSIONS OF MISCONDUCT

6. By reason of the conduct described above, Movant has engaged in the following misconduct:

- a. committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on his honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in other respects, by committing the offense of Battery, a Class A misdemeanor, in violation of Rule 8.4(b) of the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct (2010), and
- b. conduct involving dishonesty, by committing the offense of Battery, a Class A misdemeanor, in violation of Rule 8.4(c) of the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct (2010).

Respectfully submitted,

Jerome Larkin, Administrator  
Illinois Attorney Registration and  
Disciplinary Commission

/s/ Peter L. Rotskoff

Counsel for the Administrator

Peter L. Rotskoff  
Attorney Registration and  
Disciplinary Commission  
3161 W. White Oaks Drive, Suite 301  
Springfield, IL 62704  
Telephone: (217) 546-3523  
MAINLIB\_#1595123\_v1

FILED

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

March 31, 2023

In the Matter of:

ARDC CLERK

MICHAEL ALLEN LANCASTER,

Supreme Court No. M.R.

Attorney-Movant,

Commission No. 2023PR00012

No. 6180310.

NOTICE OF FILING

TO: Michael Allen Lancaster  
2406 Unit B  
Coventry Court  
Sterling, IL. 61081  
[mikethebigelk@yahoo.com](mailto:mikethebigelk@yahoo.com)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on March 31, 2023, electronic copies of Michael Allen Lancaster's MOTION PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT RULE 762(a) and AFFIDAVIT, together with the ADMINISTRATOR'S STATEMENT OF CHARGES, were submitted to the Clerk of the Supreme Court for filing. On that same date, a copy was served on Attorney-Movant, by causing said copy to be emailed to the address listed above, at or before 5:00 p.m.

Jerome Larkin, Administrator  
Attorney Registration and  
Disciplinary Commission

/s/ Peter L. Rotskoff  
Counsel for the Administrator

Peter L. Rotskoff  
Attorney Registration and  
Disciplinary Commission  
3161 W. White Oaks Drive, Suite 301  
Springfield, IL 62704  
Telephone: (217) 546-3523  
[protskoff@iardc.org](mailto:protskoff@iardc.org)  
MAINLIB\_#1595123\_v1

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney, hereby certifies, pursuant to the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, 735 ILCS 5/109, that the Administrator served a copy of the Notice of Filing and MOTION PURSUANT TO ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT RULE 762(a) and AFFIDAVIT, together with the ADMINISTRATOR'S STATEMENT OF CHARGES, via email [mikethebigelk@yahoo.com](mailto:mikethebigelk@yahoo.com) on March 31, 2023, at or before 4:00 p.m.

Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that he verily believes the same to be true.

/s/Peter L. Rotskoff  
Peter L. Rotskoff

E-FILED  
3/31/2023 1:10 PM  
CYNTHIA A. GRANT  
SUPREME COURT CLERK

FILED

March 31, 2023

ARDC CLERK