

SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

THE COURT MADE THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MISCELLANEOUS RECORD

M.R.032517 - In re: Stephen Erhard Eberhardt. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by the Administrator of the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission for leave to file exceptions to the report and recommendation of the Review Board. Denied. Respondent Stephen Erhard Eberhardt is suspended from the practice of law for five (5) months and until he successfully completes the ARDC Professionalism Seminar and pays any monetary sanction ordered in *Eberhardt I* that becomes a final and enforceable judgment, as recommended by the Review Board.

Suspension is effective April 10, 2025.

Respondent Stephen Erhard Eberhardt 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.032527 - In re: Brendan Michael Pierard. 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 Brendan Michael Pierard is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years and until further order to the Court, and until he completes payment of restitution as required in the deferred prosecution agreement in case number 2023-CR-592, *United States of America v. Brendan Pierard*.

Order entered by the Court.

O'Brien, J. took no part.

M.R.032541 - In re: Robert Knox Adrian. 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. Allowed. Respondent Robert Knox Adrian is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years and until further order of the Court.

Order entered by the Court.

Neville, J. took no part.
Holder White, J. took no part.
Rochford, J. took no part.

M.R.032542 - In re: Cierra Randazzo-Scott. 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 Cierra Randazzo-Scott is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year.

Suspension effective April 10, 2025.

Respondent Cierra Randazzo-Scott shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from her conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.032543 - In re: Trygve Thomas Meade. 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 Trygve Thomas Meade is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year and until further order of the Court.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.032556 - In re: James P. Ginzkey. Disciplinary Commission.

Petition by James P. Ginzkey to be placed on permanent retirement status pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 756(a)(8). Allowed. Effective immediately.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.032557 - In re: Janett S. Winter-Black. 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 Janett S. Winter-Black is suspended from the practice of law for six (6) months.

Suspension is effective April 10, 2025.

Respondent Janett S. Winter-Black shall reimburse the Client Protection Program Trust Fund for any Client Protection payments arising from her conduct prior to the termination of the period of suspension.

Order entered by the Court.

M.R.032558 - In re: Joseph Shun Mendoza Ravago. 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 Joseph Shun Mendoza Ravago is suspended from the practice of law for one (1) year.

Suspension effective April 10, 2025.

Respondent Joseph Shun Mendoza Ravago 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.032574 - In re: Melanie Cheri' King. 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 Melanie Cheri' King is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years 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 to commence upon the effective date of the Court's order:

- a. Respondent shall successfully complete the ARDC Professionalism Seminar within the first five (5) months of probation;
- b. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Article VII of the Illinois Rules on Admission and Discipline of Attorneys and the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct and will timely cooperate with the Administrator in providing information regarding any investigations relating to her conduct;
- c. 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, respondent shall reimburse the Commission for any further costs incurred during the period of probation;
- d. 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 her conduct;
- 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 her practice of law and the nature and extent of her compliance with the conditions of her probation;
- f. Respondent shall notify the Administrator within seven (7) days of any arrest or charge alleging her violation of any criminal or quasi-criminal statute or ordinance;

- g. Respondent's practice of law shall be supervised by a licensed attorney acceptable to the Administrator. Respondent shall provide the name, address, and telephone number of the supervising attorney to the Administrator. Within the first thirty (30) days of probation, respondent shall meet with the supervising attorney and meet at least once a month thereafter. Respondent shall authorize the supervising attorney to provide a report in writing to the Administrator, no less than once every quarter, regarding respondent's cooperation with the supervising attorney, the nature of respondent's work, and the supervising attorney's general appraisal of respondent's practice of law;
- h. Respondent shall provide notice to the Administrator of any change in the supervising attorney within fourteen (14) days of the change;
- i. Thirty (30) days prior to the end of her probation, respondent shall pay restitution to her clients, G.K. and D.K., in the amount of \$125,000. Respondent shall provide the Administrator with proof of such payments;
- j. Probation shall be revoked if respondent is found to have violated any of the terms of probation. The remaining suspension shall commence from the date of the determination that any of the terms of the probation have been violated, and shall continue until further order of the Court; and
- k. Probation shall terminate without further order of the Court provided respondent complies with the above conditions.

Suspension effective April 10, 2025.

Order entered by the Court.