IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL, : No. 2749 Disciplinary Docket No. 3

Petitioner : No. 128 DB 2020

v. : Attorney Registration No. 80158

TRACY PAUL HUNT, : (Bucks County)

Respondent

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 13th day of October, 2020, upon consideration of the Recommendation of the Three-Member Panel of the Disciplinary Board, the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent is granted, and Tracy Paul Hunt is suspended on consent from the Bar of this Commonwealth for a period of six months. Respondent shall comply with all the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 217 and pay costs to the Disciplinary Board. See Pa.R.D.E. 208(g).

A True Copy Patricia Nicola As Of 10/13/2020

Chief Clerk
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,: No. 128 DB 2020

Petitioner

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Attorney Registration No. 80158

TRACY PAUL HUNT

Respondent : (Bucks County)

JOINT PETITION IN SUPPORT OF DISCIPLINE ON CONSENT PURSUANT TO Pa.R.D.E. 215(d)

Petitioner, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel (hereinafter, "ODC") by Thomas J. Farrell, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr., Disciplinary Counsel and Tracy Paul Hunt (hereinafter "Respondent"), respectfully petition the Disciplinary Board in support of discipline on consent, pursuant to Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement ("Pa.R.D.E.") 215(d), and in support thereof state:

1. ODC, whose principal office is situated at Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Pennsylvania Judicial Center, Suite 2700, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, P.O. Box 62485, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17106, is invested, pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 207, with the power and duty to

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investigate all matters involving alleged misconduct of an attorney admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to prosecute all disciplinary proceedings brought in accordance with the various provisions of the aforesaid Enforcement Rules.

2. Respondent was born on November 24, 1967 and was admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth on November 7, 1997.

SPECIFIC FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS ADMITTED

- 3. Respondent's Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education (PA CLE) requirement for Compliance year 2017 was due to be completed by December 31, 2017.
- 4. By Annual CLE Report dated February 23, 2018, the CLE Board notified Respondent that its records indicated that he was non-compliant with the CLE requirement due by December 31, 2017.
- 5. The Annual CLE Report advised Respondent, inter alia, that failure to complete his CLE requirement and pay outstanding late fees would result in his name being included on a non-compliant report to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.
 - 6. Respondent received the Annual CLE Report.

- 7. By URGENT NOTICE dated May 31, 2018, the CLE Board provided Respondent a second notification of non-compliance with his CLE requirement originally due on December 31, 2017.
 - 8. The Urgent Notice advised Respondent, inter alia, that:
 - a) Failure to complete his CLE requirement and pay any outstanding late fees by 4:00 PM on June 30, 2018 would result in Respondent's name being included on a non-compliant report; and
 - b) Upon receipt of the non-compliant report, the Supreme Court would initiate an Order to administratively suspend Respondent's license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
 - 9. Respondent received the Urgent Notice.
- 10. By Order dated July 18, 2018, effective August 17, 2018, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania administratively suspended Respondent pursuant to Rule 111(b) of the Pennsylvania Rules for Continuing Legal Education (Pa.R.C.L.E.) for failing to comply with CLE requirements.
- 11. By letter to Respondent dated July 18, 2018, addressed to his preferred mailing address of PO Box 99, Newtown PA 18940-0094 and

sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, Suzanne E. Price, Attorney Registrar:

- a) served Respondent with a copy of the July 18, 2018 Order;
- b) informed Respondent that he was required to comply with Rule 217 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (Pa.R.D.E.) and §§91.91-91.99 of the Disciplinary Board Rules, as enclosed;
- c) provided Respondent with the Standard Guidance to Lawyers Who have been Administratively Suspended; Form DB-23(a), Non-Litigation Notice of Administrative DB-24(a), Litigation Notice Suspension; Form Administrative Suspension; Form DB-25(a), Statement of Compliance; and a letter prepared by the CLE Board providing information regarding compliance with Rule 111(b), Pa.R.C.L.E.: and
- d) advised Respondent that in order to resume active status, he was required to comply with the CLE Board.
- 12. Respondent knew, or should have known, that effective August 17, 2018, he was administratively suspended and was prohibited from practicing law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

- 13. Respondent knew, or should have known, that effective August 17, 2018, he was administratively suspended and prohibited from engaging in law-related activities, except in accordance with the strict requirements prescribed in Rule 217 (j), Pa.R.D.E.
- 14. Respondent did not timely file a verified Statement of Compliance (Form DB-25(a)) with the Disciplinary Board within ten (10) days after the effective date of his administrative suspension.
- 15. On or about July 4, 2019, Barbara Troyan suffered a fall in the parking lot of Smuggler's Cove Restaurant in Tannersville PA.
- 16. On July 19, 2019, Ms. Troyan retained Respondent and his law firm to represent Ms. Troyan in her personal injury matter (hereinafter, "Troyan Matter").
- 17. By letter to Smuggler's Cove Restaurant's Owner/General Manager dated November 1, 2019, on letterhead identifying Respondent as an "Attorney at Law", at a time he was administratively suspended, Respondent:
 - a) advised he was contacting them on behalf of Respondent's client, Ms. Troyan, in connection with her July 4, 2019 fall;
 - b) stated he would be happy to discuss the matter further with anyone from the restaurant authorized to resolve the claim;

- c) requested them to pass Respondent's contact information to any insurance carrier; and
- d) claimed he was interested in resolving the matter amicably and in a timely manner, if possible.
- 18. By letters to Respondent and his law firm dated November 15, 2019, December 16, 2019, January 21, 2020, February 28, 2020 and April 3, 2020, Tammy Sell, Senior Claims Specialist for Cincinnati Insurance Company, acknowledged Respondent's representation of Ms. Troyan and requested an update on Respondent's client's injury and treatment status.
- 19. Respondent had a duty, but failed to promptly notify Ms. Troyan; the Owner/Manager of Smuggler's Cove Restaurant and Ms. Sell of Respondent's administrative suspension and consequent inability to act as an attorney after the effective date of his suspension.
- 20. On December 23, 2019, at a time Respondent was administratively suspended, Respondent and an associate of his law firm filed a Complaint in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County in the matter captioned: Robert Pierson v. Air Transport Services Group, Inc. D/B/A ABX Air, Inc./LGSTX Services, Inc. and John Doe, Case ID 191203414 (hereinafter, "Pierson Matter").

- 21. The signature line on the Complaint in the Pierson Matter listed Respondent's name, Attorney ID number and identified Respondent as "Esq."
- 22. By letter to Air Transport Services Group, Inc. dated February 10, 2020, on letterhead identifying Respondent as an "Attorney at Law", at a time he was administratively suspended, Respondent served the Complaint on the Defendant in the Pierson Matter.
- 23. Respondent had a duty, but failed to promptly notify Mr. Pierson; Air Transport Services Group and the Court of his administrative suspension and consequent inability to act as an attorney after the effective date of Respondent's suspension.
- 24. By letter to Steven Lupin, Esquire, of Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin (HRMM&L), dated January 30, 2020, on letterhead identifying Respondent as an "Attorney at Law", at a time Respondent was administratively suspended, Respondent:
 - a) acknowledged receipt of Mr. Lupin's correspondence to Respondent's client, R.P. Minich, P.C.;
 - b) requested Mr. Lupin to cease and desist direct communication with Respondent's client;

- c) advised that future correspondence should be sent to Respondent and Respondent's firm;
- d) stated that Mr. Lupin could not be more misinformed about the law because Respondent's client had no privity of contract with Mr. Lupin's client (O'Fria & Company) and therefore could not be liable; and
- e) advised Mr. Lupin that if he did not immediately re-direct his claims away from Respondent's client the next correspondence Mr. Lupin would receive from Respondent's firm would be in the form of a Dragonetti letter.
- 25. On February 10, 2020, Michael A. Luongo, Esquire of HRMM&L:
 - a) filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction in the matter captioned O'Fria & Company vs. Larry Brouse and R.P. Minnich, P.C, Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County, No. 2020-02375 (hereinafter, "O'Fria Matter");
 - b) certified that he had served a copy of the Motion upon the "counsel" for the parties; and
 - c) identified Respondent as "Tracy Paul Hunt, Esquire".

- 26. On February 12, 2020, notice was mailed scheduling a proceeding in connection with the Motion for Preliminary Injunction for February 18, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. before Judge Virgil B. Walker in Court Room 13, Montgomery County Court House.
- 27. On February 18, 2020, at a time Respondent was administratively suspended, Respondent, as co-counsel to R.P. Minich:
 - a) filed a Reply to the Motion for Preliminary Injunction in the O'Fria Matter;
 - b) appeared in Courtroom 13 before Judge Walker; and
 - c) spoke on behalf of Defendant Minich at the scheduled proceeding relating to the Motion for Preliminary Injunction.
- 28. The filing of the Reply to the Motion for Preliminary Injunction listed Respondent and an associate of his law firm on the signature line as "Attorneys for R.P. Minich, P.C."; contained the Respondent's name, attorney I.D. # and law firm address and identified Respondent as "Esquire".
 - 29. At the February 18, 2020 proceeding:
 - a) Mr. Luongo indicated he had brought exhibits and witnesses for testimony and requested to move forward with a hearing on his Motion for Preliminary Injunction;

- b) Judge Walker stated he was prepared to conduct a hearing but acknowledged that there was confusion among the parties as to whether the proceeding was to be a conference or a hearing;
- c) Respondent concurred with counsel for the co-defendant, stating "[u]nless Your Honor is ready to hear pretty much the whole crux of the underlying Complaint as well as this motion, I think—you know, I think the conference is probably the way that we want to go as well";
- d) Judge Walker determined that a hearing on the merits would be scheduled for a future date; and
- e) Mr. Luongo requested a side bar to discuss an issue off the record.
- 30. Respondent had a duty, but failed to promptly notify R.P. Minich, HRMM&L and the Court of Respondent's administrative suspension and consequent inability to act as an attorney after the effective date of Respondent's suspension.
- 31. In response to Mr. Luongo's request, Respondent, Counsel for the Co-Defendant, Mr. Luongo and Judge Walker met in Judge Walker's chambers, at which time:

- a) Mr. Luongo advised the Judge that he believed Respondent was under administrative suspension;
- b) Respondent admitted his license was administratively suspended because he had not completed all of his CLE credits and represented he was currently "working on his CLEs"; and
- c) Respondent stated that he had only appeared before Judge Walker because Respondent believed it was a conference and not an evidentiary hearing; Respondent's associate had signed the pleading but he was unable to attend the conference due to a family emergency and Respondent would not appear at any upcoming hearing if his license was not activated by that time.
- 32. After meeting in chambers, the parties went back on the record and it was determined that a hearing in connection with the Motion for Preliminary Injunction would be held on March 4, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
- 33. On February 27, 2020, at a time Respondent was administratively suspended, Respondent and an associate of his law firm filed in the O'Fria Matter, a *Defendant, R.P. Minich, P.C's Proposed Witness List and Brief Statement* (hereinafter, "Statement").

- 34. The filing of the Statement listed Respondent and an associate of his law firm on the signature line as "Attorneys for R.P. Minich, P.C."; contained the Respondent's name, attorney I.D. # and law firm address and identified Respondent as "Esquire."
 - 35. On February 28, 2020:
 - a) Respondent completed an additional 6 CLE credits;
 - b) The CLE Board certified to the Attorney Registrar via Electronic Submission that Respondent had complied with his Pennsylvania CLE requirements;
 - c) The Attorney Registrar advised Respondent via Electronic Submission that to complete his re-instatement from administrative suspension he needed to submit to them a check or money order in the appropriate amount as determined on the enclosed 2019-2020 Administrative Change in Status Form and submit a Form DB-25(a)-Statement of Compliance; and
 - d) Respondent signed and dated the Change in Status Form and the Statement of Compliance.
- 36. The Change In Status Form and Statement of Compliance was received by the Attorney Registration Office on March 2, 2020.

- 37. The Statement of Compliance included a Supplemental Statement of Compliance in which Respondent stated: "I was unaware of the prohibition of my name on letterhead. To that end, I have authored approximately three (3) letters on letterhead during this suspension period." Respondent attached to the Supplemental Statement of Compliance copies of the February 10, 2020 letter in the Pierson Matter; the January 30, 2020 letter in the O'Fria Matter and the November 1, 2019 letter in the Troyan Matter.
 - 38. On March 2, 2020, Respondent was re-instated to active status.
- 39. On March 4, 2020, the Parties appeared before Judge Walker for the scheduled injunction hearing, at which time:
 - a) Respondent advised Judge Walker that Respondent's license to practice law had been re-instated;
 - b) Judge Walker colloquied Defendant Minich to make sure that Mr. Minich was aware that Mr. Hunt's status had just changed from suspended to active and inquired if he still wished to proceed with Mr. Hunt as his attorney; and
 - c) Mr. Minich said he was not concerned as long as Respondent was presently active.

SPECIFIC RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND PENNSYLVANIA RULES OF DISCIPLINARY ENFORCEMENT VIOLATED

- 40. By his conduct as alleged in paragraphs 3 through 39 above, Respondent violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct and Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement:
 - A. RPC 1.16(a)(1), which states that except as stated in paragraph (c), a lawyer shall not represent a client or, where representation has commenced, shall withdraw from the representation of a client if the representation will result in violation of the rules of professional conduct or other law;
 - B. RPC 5.5(a), which states that a lawyer shall not practice law in a jurisdiction in violation of the regulation of the legal profession in that jurisdiction, or assist another in doing so;
 - C. RPC 5.5(b)(2), which states that a lawyer who is not admitted to practice in this jurisdiction shall not hold out to the public or otherwise represent that the lawyer is admitted to practice law in this jurisdiction;

- D. RPC 7.1, which states that a lawyer shall not make a false or misleading communication about the lawyer or the lawyer's services. A communication is false or misleading if it contains a material misrepresentation of fact or law, or omits a fact necessary to make the statement considered as a whole not materially misleading;
- E. RPC 8.4(c), which states that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation;
- F. RPC 8.4(d), which states that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice;
- G. Pa.R.D.E. 217(a), which states that a formerly admitted attorney shall promptly notify, or cause to be notified, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, all clients being represented in pending matters, other than litigation or administrative proceedings, of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status and the consequent inability of the formerly

admitted attorney to act as an attorney after the effective date of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status and shall advise said clients to seek legal advice elsewhere;

Pa.R.D.E. 217(b), which states that a formerly admitted H. attorney shall promptly notify, or cause to be notified, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, all clients who are involved in pending litigation or administrative proceedings, and the attorney or attorneys for each adverse party in such matter or proceeding, of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status and consequent inability of the formerly admitted attorney to act as an attorney after the suspension. effective date of the disbarment. administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status. The notice to be given to the client shall advise the prompt substitution of another attorney or attorneys in place of the formerly admitted attorney. In the event the client does not obtain substitute counsel before the disbarment. suspension. effective date of the

administrative suspension or transfer to status, it shall be the responsibility of the formerly admitted attorney to move in the court or agency in which the proceeding is pending for leave to withdraw. The notice to be given to the attorney or attorneys for an adverse party shall state the place of residence of the client of the formerly admitted attorney;

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Pa.R.D.E. 217(c), which states that a formerly admitted attorney shall promptly notify, or cause to be notified, of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested: (1) all persons or their agents or guardians to whom a fiduciary duty is or may be owed at any time after the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status, and (2) all other persons with whom the formerly admitted attorney may at any time expect to have professional contacts under circumstances where there is a reasonable probability that they may infer that he or she continues as an attorney in good standing. The responsibility of the

formerly admitted attorney to provide the notice required by this subdivision shall continue for as long as the formerly admitted attorney is disbarred, suspended, administratively suspended or on inactive status;

- J. Pa.R.D.E. 217(d)(1), which states that Orders imposing suspension, disbarment, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status shall be effective 30 days after entry. The formerly admitted attorney, after entry of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status order, shall not accept any new retainer or engage as attorney for another in any new case or legal matter of any nature. However, during the period from the entry date of the order and its effective date the formerly admitted attorney may wind up and complete, on behalf of any client, all matters which were pending on the entry date:
- K. Pa.R.D.E. 217(d)(2), which states that in addition to the steps that a formerly admitted attorney must promptly take under other provisions of this Rule to disengage from the practice of law, a formerly admitted attorney shall

promptly cease and desist from using all forms of communication that expressly or implicitly convey eligibility to practice law in the state courts of Pennsylvania, including but not limited to professional titles, letterhead, business cards, signage, websites, and references to admission to the Pennsylvania Bar;

- L. Pa.R.D.E. 217(e), which states that within ten days after the effective date of the disbarment, suspension, administrative suspension or transfer to inactive status order, the formerly admitted attorney shall file with the Board a verified statement showing: (1) that the provisions of the order and these rules have been fully complied with; and (2) all other state, federal and administrative jurisdictions to which such person is admitted to practice. Such statement shall also set forth the residence or other address of the formerly admitted attorney where communications to such person may thereafter be directed; and
- M. Pa.R.D.E. 217(j)(4), Without limiting the other restrictions in this subdivision (j), a formerly admitted attorney is

specifically prohibited from engaging in any of the following activities:

- (ii) performing any law-related services from an office that is not staffed, on a full time basis, by a supervising attorney;
- (iv) representing himself or herself as a lawyer or person of similar status;
- (v) having any contact with clients either in person, by telephone, or in writing, except as provided in paragraph (3);
- (vi) rendering legal consultation or advice to a client;
- (vii) appearing on behalf of a client in any hearing or proceeding or before any judicial officer, arbitrator, mediator, court, public agency, referee, magistrate, hearing officer or any other adjudicative person or body; and
- (ix) negotiating or transacting any matter for or on behalf of a client with third parties or having any contact with third parties regarding such a negotiation or transaction.

SPECIFIC JOINT RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCIPLINE

- 41. Petitioner and Respondent jointly recommend that the appropriate discipline for Respondent's admitted misconduct is a six-month suspension.
- 42. Respondent hereby consents to that discipline being imposed upon him by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Attached to this petition is Respondent's executed affidavit required by Pa.R.D.E. 215(d), stating that he consents to the recommended discipline and including the mandatory acknowledgments contained in Pa.R.D.E. 215(d)(a)1 through (4).
- 43. In support of Petitioner's and Respondent's joint recommendation, it is respectfully submitted that there are mitigating circumstances:
 - a) Respondent has admitted engaging in misconduct and violating the charged Rules of Professional Conduct and Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement:
 - b) Respondent has cooperated with Petitioner, as is evidenced by Respondent's admissions herein and his consent to receiving a suspension of six months;

- c) Respondent is remorseful for his misconduct and understands he should be disciplined as is evidenced by his consent to receiving a suspension of six months;
- d) Prior to the commencement of the disciplinary investigation in connection with Mr. Luongo's complaint involving the O'Fria Matter, Respondent had voluntarily produced to the Attorney Registration Office correspondence in the O'Fria Matter, as well as two other matters in which he had been non-compliant with the Rules of Professional Conduct and Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement; and
- e) Respondent has no record of discipline in over twenty-two years of practicing law.
- 44. A six-month suspension is appropriate based on the totality of the facts of this case and precedent. While on administrative suspension, Respondent engaged in the unauthorized practice of law on a limited basis in three client matters over the time frame of seven months.

A number of disciplinary cases have resulted in six-month suspensions in which attorneys who, similar to Respondent, engaged in the unauthorized practice of law limited in scope and of a short duration.

In Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. John V. Buffington, No. 45 DB 2004 (D.Bd. Rpt. 6/22/05) (S.Ct. Order 9/22/05), Buffington engaged in the unauthorized practice of law in three legal matters following his transfer to inactive status for non-compliance with his CLE requirements. Additionally, he continued to serve as an arbitrator in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas after he was ineligible due to his inactive status. The Board noted that Buffington "engaged in very limited acts of legal representation for a short time frame while on inactive status." The Board reasoned that its recommendation for a six month suspension was sufficient "to impress upon Respondent the absolute necessity and importance of fulfilling the requirements essential to maintaining his professional license if he chooses See also, Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Ruth Ann to practice law." Price, No. 107 DB 2013 (S.Ct. Order 11/15/2013) (Consent Discipline) (six month suspension for engaging in the unauthorized practice of law while on inactive status in three client matters over a period of approximately six months); Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Theodore Q. Thompson, No. 159 DB 2005 (D.Bd. Rpt. 12/28/06) (S.Ct, Order 3/23/07) (six-month suspension for practicing while on CLE inactive status in seven cases from November 2004 through October 2005); Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. David Steven Bloom, No. 44 DB 2008 (S.Ct. Order 6/2/10) (Consent

Discipline) (six-month suspension for engaging in the unauthorized practice of law while on inactive status for failure to pay annual attorney fee in four client matters over the course of six months) and *Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Calvin Taylor, Jr.*, No. 253 DB 2010 (S.Ct. Order 4/6/2011) (Consent Discipline) (six-month suspension for practicing while on CLE administrative suspension in two client matters over the period of a month and failing to withdraw his appearance in four additional client matters).

RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCIPLINE

WHEREFORE, Petitioner and Respondent respectfully request that, pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement 215(e), 215(g) and 215(i), a three member panel of the Disciplinary Board review and approve the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent and file a recommendation with the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania that Respondent receive a six-month suspension.

Respectfully submitted,
OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL
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Tracy Paul Hunt

Attorney Registration Number 80158

Respondent

VERIFICATION

The statements contained in the foregoing Joint Petition In Support of Discipline on Consent Discipline are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief and are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

8/17/20

Harold E. Clampoli, Jr.,

Disciplinary Counsel

Tracy Paul Hunt

Attorney Registration Number 80158

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am this day serving the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 204 Pa. Code §89.22 (relating to service by a participant).

First Class and Overnight Mail, as follows:

Tracy Paul Hunt, Esquire Timby Hunt LLC P.O. Box 99 Newtown, PA 18940-0099

Dated: 8/17/20

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AFFIDAVIT UNDER RULE 215(d), Pa.R.D.E.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA: COUNTY OF BUCKS:

Tracy Paul Hunt, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and hereby submits this affidavit consenting to the recommendation of a six-month suspension in conformity with Pa.R.D.E. 215(d) and further states as follows:

- He is an attorney admitted in the Commonwealth of 1. Pennsylvania, having been admitted to the bar on or about November 7, 1997.
- 2. He desires to submit a Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 215(d).

- 3. His consent is freely and voluntarily rendered; he is not being subjected to coercion or duress, and he is fully aware of the implications of submitting this affidavit.
- 4. He is aware that there is presently pending a proceeding into allegations that he has been guilty of misconduct as set forth in the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 215(d) to which this affidavit is attached.
- 5. He acknowledges that the material facts set forth in the Joint Petition are true.
- 6. He submits the within affidavit because he knows that if charges predicated upon the matter under investigation were filed, or continued to be prosecuted in the pending proceeding, he could not successfully defend against them.
- 7. He acknowledges that he is fully aware of his right to consult and employ counsel to represent him in the instant proceeding. He has not retained, consulted and acted upon the advice of counsel, in connection with his decision to execute the within Joint Petition.

It is understood that the statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Signed this 1/1 day of August, 2020.

Tracy Paul Hunt

Swom to and subscribed before me this 11th day of August, 2020.

Notary Public

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

NOTARIAL SEAL
Joshua C. Owens, Notary Public
BUCKINGHAM TVP., BUCKS COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES November 21, 2020

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Submitted by Office of Disciplinary Counsel

Signature:

Name: Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr.

Attorney No. (if applicable): 51159