

**BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**


OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 169 DB 2021
Petitioner	:	
	:	File No. C1-20-328
v.	:	
	:	Attorney Registration No. 88796
JENNIFER JOHNSON	:	
Respondent	:	(Out of State)

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AND NOW, this 4th day of February, 2022, in accordance with Rule 208(a)(5), Pa.R.D.E., the determination by a Review Panel of the Disciplinary Board of the above captioned matter is accepted; and it is

ORDERED that the said JENNIFER JOHNSON be subjected to a **PUBLIC REPRIMAND** by the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania as provided in Rule 204(a) and Rule 205(c)(8) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement.


Costs shall be paid by the Respondent.

BY THE BOARD:


Board Chair

TRUE COPY FROM RECORD

Attest:



Marcee D. Sloan, Board Prothonotary
The Disciplinary Board of the
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PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Jennifer Johnson, you appear before the Disciplinary Board for the imposition of a Public Reprimand ordered by the Board on February 4, 2022. It is an unpleasant task to publicly reprimand one who has been granted the privilege of membership in the bar of the Commonwealth. Yet as repugnant as this task may be, it has been determined necessary that you receive this public discipline.

Ms. Johnson, the record indicates that you were admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar in 2002 and on July 1, 2012, took voluntary inactive status, which meant that you were ineligible to practice law in Pennsylvania. From 2018 to the present, you have been employed as an attorney at the law firm of Siciliano & Associates, LLC in New Jersey. However, the law firm's stationery and website wrongly listed you as being an active member of the Pennsylvania bar.

In 2020, you filed a Petition for Reinstatement from Inactive Status in Pennsylvania, a Reinstatement Questionnaire, and a Motion for Waiver. Your Questionnaire and Motion contained false statements and omissions, while your Petition attached altered documents and wrongly listed the dates of your employment at various law firms. Office of Disciplinary Counsel's investigation revealed that you provided false

answers on four PA Attorney Annual Fee Forms and advertised yourself as practicing law in Pennsylvania.

By your conduct, you violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct (“RPC”) and Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (“Pa.R.D.E.”):

1. RPC 7.1, 7.5 and Pa.R.D.E. 217(d)(2), in that you made a false communication about your ability to provide legal services in Pennsylvania when you: 1) routinely used letterhead from Siciliano LLC that indicated you were an active member of the Pennsylvania Bar, when in fact, you were on inactive status; and 2) advertised on Siciliano LLC’s website that your law practice focused on all aspects of commercial and residential transactions and development “throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania,” when in fact, you could not provide legal services in Pennsylvania.
2. RPC 8.1(a), in that you: 1) made false statements in connection with your Petition for Reinstatement when you wrote that you had “been an actively practicing attorney in the State of New Jersey,” when in fact, you were unemployed from February 2012 until February 2015; and 2) filed false annual attorney registration statements in 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2019-2020, all of which failed to list your legal employment.
3. RPC 8.4(a) and 8.4(c), in that you engaged in conduct involving deceit and misrepresentation when you recklessly submitted letters to the Disciplinary Board written on Siciliano LLC legal stationery that had been specifically altered to remove the improper indication that you were a member of the Pennsylvania Bar.

Ms. Johnson, your conduct in this matter is public. This Public Reprimand is a matter of public record and shall be posted on the Disciplinary Board's website at www.padisciplinaryboard.org

It is the Board's duty to reprimand you for your misconduct. We note that you have no record of discipline in Pennsylvania and you are now registered as "retired" in the Commonwealth. Please be advised that any subsequent violations on your part can only result in further discipline and perhaps more severe sanctions. We sincerely hope that you will conduct yourself in such a manner that future disciplinary action will be unnecessary.

Board Chair

Administered by a designated panel of three Members of The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania on June 17, 2022.