BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL Petitioner	:	No. 214 DB 2015
v.	:	Attorney Registration No. 202092
ANDREW S. ROSENBLOOM Respondent	:	(Philadelphia)

ORDER

AND NOW, this 19th day of January, 2017, upon consideration of the Report and Recommendation of the Hearing Committee filed on September 19, 2016; it is

ORDERED that ANDREW S. ROSENBLOOM, of Philadelphia shall receive a **PUBLIC REPRIMAND** administered by the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania as provided in Rules 204(a)(5) and 205(c)(11) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement. Costs shall be paid by Respondent Rosenbloom.

BY THE BOARD:

Jane G. Penny, Board Chair

TRUE COPY FROM RECORD
Attest:

Marcee D. Sloan
Asst. Secretary of the Board
The Disciplinary Board of the
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PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Andrew S. Rosenbloom, you stand before the Disciplinary Board, your professional peers and members of the public for the imposition of a Public Reprimand. It is an unpleasant task to publicly reprimand one who has been granted the privilege of membership in the bar of this Commonwealth. Yet as repugnant as this task may be, it has been deemed necessary that you receive this public discipline.

Mr. Rosenbloom, you are being reprimanded today in connection with your misconduct while on administrative suspension from the practice of law.

The record demonstrates that you were placed on administrative suspension by Order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania dated December 9, 2013, effective January 8, 2014, for failing to comply with Continuing Legal Education ("CLE") requirements for the 2013 reporting year. This suspension prohibited you from practicing law. By your own admission, you were delinquent in your CLE requirements and engaged in the unauthorized practice of law from January 8, 2014 through March 17, 2014. During that time period, you were attorney of record in nine matters. By your own admission, you failed to notify the court, opposing counsel and your clients that you were on

administrative suspension. Among other things, you filed pleadings, appeared at pretrial conferences, settled cases, and corresponded with opposing counsel and the courts.

You have acknowledged that you engaged in misconduct, but you explained that during the time frame of the misconduct, you experienced stress in your professional life and your personal life that caused you to become overwhelmed and contributed to your failure to comply with CLE requirements. Further, you explained that your conduct was not willful or intentional, as you claim you were not aware you were on administrative suspension, even though the record demonstrates that notice of your administrative suspension was sent to your registered attorney address. After becoming aware of the suspension on or about March 19, 2014, you attended CLE courses and returned to active status in May 2014. You have been compliant with CLE since that time.

Your conduct in this matter has violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct ("RPC") and Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement ("Pa.R.D.E."):

1. RPC 5.5(a) – Practicing law in a jurisdiction in violation of the regulation of the legal profession in that jurisdiction;
2. RPC 5.5(b)(2) – 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;
3. RPC 8.4(d) – It is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice;
4. Pa.R.D.E. 217(b) – A formerly admitted attorney shall promptly notify all clients who are involved in pending litigation proceedings, and the attorney for each adverse party in such matter, of the administrative

suspension and consequent inability of the formerly admitted attorney to act as an attorney after the effective date of the administrative suspension;

5. Pa.R.D.E. 217(c)(2) – A formerly admitted attorney shall promptly notify of the administrative suspension, 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;
6. Pa.R.D.E. 217(e) – A formerly admitted attorney shall file with the Board a verified statement showing compliance with the applicable rules within ten days after the effective date of the administrative suspension;
7. Pa.R.D.E. 217(j)(4)(ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii) – A formerly admitted attorney may not engage in any form of law-related activities in this Commonwealth except in accordance with certain requirements.

We note that you were admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth in 2006 and have no history of professional discipline.

Mr. Rosenbloom, your conduct in this matter is now fully public. This Public Reprimand is a matter of public record.

As you stand before the Board today, we remind you that you have a continuing obligation to abide by the Rules of Professional Conduct and Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement. This Public Reprimand is proof that Pennsylvania lawyers will not be permitted to engage in conduct that falls below professional standards. Be mindful that any future dereliction will subject you to disciplinary action.

This Public Reprimand shall be posted on the Disciplinary Board's website at www.padisciplinaryboard.org.

Designated Member
The Disciplinary Board of the
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

Administered by a designated panel of three Members of The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 5, 2017.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The undersigned, Respondent in the above proceeding, herewith acknowledges that the above Public Reprimand was administered in his presence and in the presence of the designated panel of The Disciplinary Board at 1601 Market Street, Suite 3320, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 5, 2017.

Andrew S. Rosenbloom