

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 3220 Disciplinary Docket No. 3
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Petitioner	:	No. 38 DB 2026
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v.	:	Attorney Registration No. 326267
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	:	(Franklin County)
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ADAM HAMILTON FENNEN,	:	
	:	
Respondent	:	

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 26th day of October, 2026, 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 Adam Hamilton Fennen is suspended on consent from the Bar of this Commonwealth for a period of two years. Respondent shall comply with 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 Nicole Traini
As Of 10/26/2026

Attest: 
Chief Clerk
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF
THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 38 DB 2026
Petitioner	:	
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ADAM HAMILTON FENNEN,	:	Atty Reg. No. 326267
Respondent	:	
	:	(Franklin County)

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

Office of Disciplinary Counsel ("ODC"), by Thomas J. Farrell, Esquire, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and by Jessica L. Chapman, Esquire, Disciplinary Counsel, and Respondent, Adam Hamilton Fennen, Esquire, file this Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent under Pa.R.D.E. 215(d) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (hereinafter "Pa.R.D.E."), and respectfully state and aver the following:

1. Petitioner, whose principal office is located at the Pennsylvania Judicial Center, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2700, P.O. Box 62625, Harrisburg, PA 17106-2625, is invested pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 207, with the power and duty to investigate all matters involving alleged misconduct of any attorney admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to prosecute all disciplinary proceedings brought in accordance with the

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various provisions of the Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement.

2. Respondent, Adam Hamilton Fennen, Esquire, was born on September 19, 1992, and was admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on October 11, 2018. Respondent's attorney registration number is 326267 and his registered address is 2046 Powell Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201.

3. Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 201(a)(1), Respondent is subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

SPECIFIC FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS ADMITTED

Regina Mumpower matter

4. On August 4, 2023, Respondent entered his appearance on behalf of the defendant, Regina Mumpower, in a case docketed at *Township of Washington v. Regina Mumpower (De Walt)*, Docket No. 2023-01540 (Franklin C.C.P.).

5. Plaintiff in that matter was represented by Zachary Ian Mills, Esquire.

6. That same day, Respondent filed an Answer and New Matter to Plaintiff's Complaint.

7. On August 24, 2023, the plaintiff filed Preliminary Objections to

the New Matter.

8. On September 13, 2023, Respondent filed an Amended New Matter.

9. On October 3, 2023, the plaintiff filed Preliminary Objections to the Amended New Matter.

10. In February 2024, Attorney Mills called Respondent's office twice in an effort to discuss dispensing with oral arguments.

11. Respondent failed to answer or return Attorney Mills' calls.

12. On February 28, 2024, the plaintiff filed a Motion for Decision requesting, in part, that the court rule on the Preliminary Objections without oral argument.

13. On March 5, 2024, the Court, by the Honorable Jeremiah D. Zook, entered an Order granting Plaintiff's Motion for Decision and directing that:

- a. the Preliminary Objections would be decided no later than March 25, 2024, without oral argument;
- b. briefs should be filed no later than March 25, 2024; and
- c. failure to timely file a brief may result in judgment being granted to the opposing party.

14. On or about March 25, 2024, the plaintiff filed its brief.

15. Respondent failed to file a brief as directed by the Court.
16. On April 2, 2024, the Court entered an Order sustaining the plaintiff's Preliminary Objections and striking Respondent's Amended New Matter.
17. On June 3, 2024, the plaintiff filed a Motion for Summary Judgment.
18. Respondent knew or should have known that summary judgment could be entered against Mrs. Mumpower if he failed to respond to the Motion for Summary Judgment. Pa.R.C.P. 1035.3(d).
19. Respondent failed to respond to the plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment.
20. On July 26, 2024, the Court entered an Order granting plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment on all counts.
21. On October 18, 2024, the Court entered an Order scheduling a pre-trial conference for November 21, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.
22. The Court's October 18, 2024 Order further stated, "**The parties shall appear with counsel of record** and shall comply with 39th Jud. Dist. R.C.P. 39-212.3 [regarding pre-trial memoranda]. Failure to appear and/or comply with this Order will result in an adverse judgment without further notice or hearing." (emphasis added)

23. Respondent failed to inform Mrs. Mumpower of the Court's October 18, 2024 Order directing her to appear with counsel on November 21, 2024.

24. Respondent failed to file a pre-trial memorandum on behalf of Mrs. Mumpower.

25. Respondent failed to appear at the pre-trial conference on November 21, 2024.

26. On November 21, 2024, the Court entered an Order, *inter alia*:

- a. noting that Respondent and Mrs. Mumpower failed to appear, despite the Court's directive;
- b. noting that Mrs. Mumpower failed to file and serve a pretrial conference memorandum, as required by local rule and as directed by the Court;
- c. scheduling a hearing for January 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. to assess damages/penalties;
- d. advising Mrs. Mumpower that if she failed to appear without cause, the hearing would be conducted in her absence;
- e. directing that Respondent show cause, within 15 days, why he should not be held in contempt of the Court's October

18, 2024 Order by failing to appear for the pretrial conference and failing to file a pretrial conference memorandum;

- f. directing that Mrs. Mumpower show cause, within 15 days, why she should not be held in contempt of the Court's October 18, 2024 Order by failing to appear for the pretrial conference;
- g. stating that Respondent and Mrs. Mumpower could show cause by filing and serving a response setting forth just cause for their absence from the court; and
- h. stating that Respondent's or Mrs. Mumpower's failure to comply with the Order would result in a contempt hearing before the Court.

27. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Mumpower of the Court's November 21, 2024 Order directing her further action.

28. Respondent failed to submit a response or show cause, within 15 days, why he should not be held in contempt of the Court's October 18, 2024 Order.

29. Respondent failed to submit a response or show cause on behalf of Mrs. Mumpower, within 15 days, why she should not be held in contempt

of the Court's October 18, 2024 Order.

30. On December 27, 2024, the Court entered an Order:

- a. directing Respondent and Mrs. Mumpower to appear before the court on January 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., for a hearing to present evidence explaining their absence from the November 21, 2024 hearing;
- b. advising Respondent and Mrs. Mumpower that failure to appear would result in the court proceeding with contempt findings in their absence; and
- c. warning that the penalties for contempt included fines, costs, and/or incarceration.

31. Respondent failed to inform Mrs. Mumpower of the Court's December 27, 2024 Order directing her further action.

32. On January 10, 2025, Respondent and Mrs. Mumpower failed to appear for the scheduled damages/penalties hearing and contempt hearing.

33. On January 10, 2025, the Court entered an Order:

- a. assessing penalties against Mrs. Mumpower on Counts 1-15 of plaintiff's complaint, totaling in excess of \$1,728,102;
- b. imposing attorneys' fees in the amount of \$3,830.50, to be paid by Mrs. Mumpower to the plaintiff;

- c. awarding the plaintiff the cost of filing the MDJ action in the amount of \$35;
- d. granting the plaintiff leave to reduce the award to judgment; and
- e. taking the contempt under advisement.

34. Respondent failed to inform Mrs. Mumpower of the Court's January 10, 2025 Order assessing penalties, costs, and attorney's fees.

35. On January 30, 2025, the Court entered an Order:

- a. finding Mrs. Mumpower in contempt of court for failing to comply with the Court's October 18, 2024, November 21, 2024 and December 27, 2024 orders, but not imposing additional penalties due to the substantial penalties assessed against her in the underlying matter; and
- b. finding Respondent in contempt of the Court's Orders dated October 18, 2024, November 21, 2024, and December 27, 2024, and assessing against him a fine of \$1,500 (\$500 for each violation), to be paid to the Prothonotary, within 30 days.

36. Respondent's actions and/or inaction with respect to Mrs. Mumpower, and his contempt of the Court's Orders directing Respondent to

appear and present argument, were willful.

37. Respondent's actions and/or inaction as set forth above deprived the court of an ability to make a decision in the underlying case on an informed basis.

38. On April 1, 2025, Richard Mumpower e-mailed Respondent informing him that Mr. and Mrs. Mumpower received notice from the Township that they owed over a million dollars and asking that he call to discuss.

39. Shortly thereafter, Respondent spoke with Mrs. Mumpower and, during this call, stated:

- a. he had not received notice of the judgment;
- b. he would go to the courthouse to look into what was happening; and
- c. he would reach out to her to let her know.

40. These statements were false and misleading and Respondent knew they were false and misleading when made because the court served Respondent with the January 10, 2025 Order via mail.

41. On May 2, 2025, Mrs. Mumpower e-mailed Respondent:

- a. inquiring about a letter she received from Attorney Mills;
- b. noting that she had not received a copy of the January 10,

2025 Order; and

c. asking for an update.

42. Respondent failed to respond.

43. On May 12, 2025, Mrs. Mumpower e-mailed Respondent asking if he was able to make it to the courthouse.

44. On May 13, 2025, Respondent replied to Mrs. Mumpower via e-mail, stating, "I was able to get to the courthouse, but I am still running down some threads about what is going on. I will contact you soon to discuss everything."

45. Respondent's statement to Mrs. Mumpower was false and misleading and Respondent knew the statement was false when made because Respondent knew the reason for the judgment entered against Mrs. Mumpower was due to his inaction in her case.

46. Thereafter, Respondent failed to contact Mrs. Mumpower, as promised.

47. On June 4, 2025, Mrs. Mumpower e-mailed Respondent asking for an update.

48. Respondent failed to respond.

49. On June 18, 2025, Mrs. Mumpower e-mailed Respondent asking for an update.

50. Respondent failed to respond.

51. On August 29, 2025, Mrs. Mumpower e-mailed Respondent asking for an update.

52. Respondent failed to respond.

SPECIFIC RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIOLATED

53. By his conduct alleged in paragraphs 4 through 54 above, Respondent violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct:

- a. RPC 1.1, which states that “[a] lawyer shall provide competent representation to a client.”
- b. RPC 1.3, which provides that “[a] lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client.”
- c. RPC 1.4(a)(2), which provides that a lawyer shall “reasonably consult with the client about the means by which the client’s objectives are to be accomplished.”
- d. RPC 1.4(a)(3), which provides that a lawyer shall “keep the client reasonably informed about the status of the matter.”
- e. RPC 1.4(a)(4), which provides that a lawyer shall “promptly comply with reasonable requests for information.”
- f. RPC 3.2, which states that “A lawyer shall make reasonable efforts to expedite litigation consistent with the

interests of the client.”

g. RPC 8.4(b), which provides that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to “commit a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer’s honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in other respects.”

h. RPC 8.4(c), which provides that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to “engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation.”

i. RPC 8.4(d), which provides that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to “engage in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice.”

Criminal Contempt Conviction

54. Respondent’s January 30, 2025 conviction for criminal contempt is a reportable offense, pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 214(a).

55. Respondent failed to report his January 30, 2025 conviction for contempt to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, as required by Pa.R.D.E. 214(a).

56. On December 3, 2025, ODC:

a. filed a Notice of Criminal Conviction in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania;

- b. e-mailed to Respondent the Notice of Criminal Conviction; and
- c. sent Respondent a DB-7A Supplemental Request for Respondent's Position ("DB-7A Supplemental Request"), via certified and first-class mail.

57. The DB-7A Supplemental Request warned, "failure to respond to this request for your statement of position without good cause is an independent ground for discipline pursuant to Rule 203(b)(7) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement. . . . If you do not respond or provide good cause for failing to respond within thirty (30) days, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel may seek to impose discipline for your violation of Pa.R.D.E. 203(b)(7)."

58. Respondent failed to respond to ODC's December 3, 2025 DB-7A Supplemental Request or provide good cause for his failure to do so.

59. Via letter and e-mail to Respondent dated January 14, 2026, ODC:

- a. reminded Respondent that he had not responded to the DB-7A Supplemental Request;
- b. warned that "failure to respond without good cause is an independent ground for discipline pursuant to Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement 203(b)(7)"; and

- c. extended additional time to respond to the DB-7A Supplemental Request.

60. Respondent failed to respond.

SPECIFIC RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIOLATED

61. By his conduct alleged in paragraphs 56 through 62 above, Respondent violated the following Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement:

- a. Pa.R.D.E. 214(a), which states, "An attorney convicted of a crime shall report the fact of such conviction within 20 days to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel."
- b. Pa.R.D.E. 203(b)(1), which provides that "[c]onviction of a crime" . . . "shall also be grounds for discipline."
- c. Pa.R.D.E. 203(b)(7), which provides, "Failure by a respondent-attorney without good cause to respond to Disciplinary Counsel's request or supplemental request . . . for a statement of the respondent-attorney's position . . . shall also be grounds for discipline."

Mary H. Lynch matter

62. In or about August 2022, Ms. Lynch retained Respondent in connection with a civil matter adverse to her daughter-in-law, Alenna Lynch.

63. On or about December 2019, Ms. Lynch entered into an

agreement with her now-deceased son, Levi Lynch, and his wife, Alenna, wherein Ms. Lynch loaned them \$22,000 for the purchase of a mobile home.

64. Levi passed away on or about April 6, 2022.

65. Approximately, three months after Levi's death, Alenna stopped making payments on the loan.

66. At the outset of the representation, Ms. Lynch explained to Respondent that time was of the essence, as she was struggling to cover the monthly payments on the loan.

67. On August 20, 2022, Respondent sent Alenna a certified letter asking that she make timely monthly payments on the loan.

68. On August 29, 2022, Alenna made a payment on the loan.

69. On October 17, 2022, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent, stating that Alenna had not made the October 2022 loan payment and Ms. Lynch wanted to proceed with the next step.

70. Respondent failed to respond.

71. On November 2, 2022, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent, stating that she had not received the draft of a letter to Alenna regarding her failure to make payments and was hoping to get the ball rolling.

72. On November 10, 2022, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch a draft of a letter to Alenna, which he subsequently mailed to Alenna on November

15, 2022.

73. On December 29, 2022, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking for an update, stating that she did not know how much longer she could cover the loan payments, and inquiring about the next step.

74. On December 30, 2022, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch stating that he could try another letter to Alenna or he could file a complaint on the following Tuesday.

75. On January 4, 2023, Ms. Lynch directed that Respondent file a complaint.

76. On January 9, 2023, Ms. Lynch sent Respondent another e-mail confirming that he received her January 4, 2023 e-mail and filed the complaint.

77. Respondent failed to respond to Ms. Lynch's January 4 and January 9, 2023 e-mails.

78. On February 20, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking for a status update, asking if the complaint had been filed, and expressing frustration with Respondent's lack of communication and delay.

79. On February 27, 2023, Respondent filed a Complaint for Unjust Enrichment on behalf of Ms. Lynch, docketed at *Mary Heather Lynch v. Alenna Lynch*, Docket No. 2023-00587 (Franklin C.C.P.).

80. On April 4, 2023, Respondent filed a Notice of Intention to File a Praecipe to Enter Default Judgment.

81. On April 12, 2023, Amber Chase, Esquire, entered her appearance on behalf of defendant and filed an Answer to the Complaint.

82. In or about mid-April, 2023, Respondent met with Ms. Lynch to review Alenna's Answer to the Complaint.

83. On April 20, 2023, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch a draft of a letter he intended to send to Attorney Chase.

84. Ms. Lynch immediately replied to Respondent via e-mail with one change and asked that he send the letter before she had to make yet another payment on the loan.

85. On April 26, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking if he had sent the revised letter.

86. That same day, Respondent replied that he sent the letter to Attorney Chase on April 21, 2023.

87. On May 10, 2023, Ms. Lynch asked for a status update and asked whether they had a time-frame to respond to the letter.

88. That same day, Respondent responded, stating that he had not heard back, he would follow up with Attorney Chase, and he would prepare formal discovery requests.

89. On May 19, 2023, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch notifying her that Christopher Nock, Esquire, was Alenna's new counsel and that he had resent the letter to Attorney Nock and would follow up with him on Monday.

90. On May 30, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking if he had contacted Attorney Nock and if there was any progress on the matter.

91. Respondent failed to respond.

92. On June 5, 2023, Ms. Lynch asked Respondent if he heard anything from Attorney Nock.

93. Respondent failed to respond.

94. On June 6, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking if he heard anything from Attorney Nock.

95. Respondent failed to respond.

96. On June 9, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking if he heard anything from Attorney Nock and asked that Respondent please respond.

97. Respondent failed to respond.

98. On June 13, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking whether they could ask where Alenna got the funds to pay for the trailer.

99. Respondent responded that same day telling her that he intended to ask for that information.

100. On June 21, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking for an update on a letter he was to send out.

101. Respondent failed to respond.

102. On July 9, 2023, Ms. Lynch sent Respondent an e-mail asking for a status update, noting that she had not received a copy of the letter he was supposed to have sent out to Attorney Nock, and expressing her frustration with Respondent's delay.

103. Respondent failed to respond.

104. In or about August 2023, Respondent met with Ms. Lynch and her mother.

105. During that meeting, Respondent admitted to having "failed" Ms. Lynch.

106. On August 23, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking a question regarding the mobile home and inquired about the next step.

107. On August 29, 2023, Respondent stated to Ms. Lynch that he had not heard back from Attorney Nock and he would be "moving forward with enforcement now."

108. That same day, Ms. Lynch replied and asked that Respondent keep her updated.

109. On August 31, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent and asked

for clarification on the “enforcement” he mentioned in his August 29, 2023 e-mail.

110. Respondent failed to respond.

111. On September 20, 2023, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking whether there were any updates.

112. Respondent failed to respond.

113. On September 25, 2023, Ms. Lynch again asked Respondent for an update.

114. Respondent failed to respond.

115. On December 18, 2023, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch, stating that he did not have a final resolution but was optimistic that he would have one in the “very near future – either before or just after the 1st of the year.”

116. On January 26, 2024, Ms. Lynch e-mailed Respondent asking for an update and how the matter could be expedited as she was struggling to make the payments.

117. Respondent did not respond or communicate with Ms. Lynch, until April 2024.

118. In or about April 2024, Respondent met with Ms. Lynch.

119. During this meeting, Respondent stated to Ms. Lynch that he made a personal choice to not communicate with her so as to not continue

to deceive her.

120. On June 24, 2024, Respondent e-mailed Ms. Lynch, stating that Alenna had not responded to his last filing and that “we should be seeing a final result from the Court in the immediate future.”

121. Respondent’s June 24, 2024 statement to Ms. Lynch was false and misleading because Alenna had responded to his last filing and Respondent made no progress in the case since that time which would support his statement to Ms. Lynch that there would be a final result in the “immediate future.”

122. Respondent did not communicate further with Ms. Lynch, until November 2024.

123. In or about November 2024, Respondent met with Ms. Lynch.

124. During that meeting, Respondent gave Ms. Lynch an unsigned document, purporting to be an Order of Court, stating:

- a. Ms. Lynch was awarded title and possession of the mobile home;
- b. directing the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to issue new title to Ms. Lynch in her name; and
- c. directing that Alenna not damage the mobile home.

125. Respondent falsely represented to Ms. Lynch that the Order of

Court had been signed by a judge and further stated that he would e-mail her a signed copy.

126. Respondent's representation to Ms. Lynch that the Court had signed an Order transferring the property to her was false and Respondent knew it was false when made.

SPECIFIC RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT VIOLATED

127. By his conduct alleged in paragraphs 64 through 128 above, Respondent violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct:

- a. RPC 1.1, which states that "[a] lawyer shall provide competent representation to a client."
- b. RPC 1.3, which provides that "[a] lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client."
- c. RPC 1.4(a)(2), which provides that a lawyer shall "reasonably consult with the client about the means by which the client's objectives are to be accomplished."
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efforts to expedite litigation consistent with the interests of the client.”

- g. RPC 8.4(c), which provides that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to “engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation.”

JOINT RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCIPLINE

128. Petitioner and Respondent jointly submit that the appropriate discipline for Respondent’s misconduct is a two-year suspension.

129. Respondent hereby consents to that discipline being imposed upon him by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Attached to this Petition, as Exhibit “A,” 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)(1) through (4).

130. In support of this Joint Petition, ODC and Respondent respectfully submit that the following mitigating circumstances are present:

- a. Respondent is 34 years of age and has been practicing for nearly 8 years; he has no prior record of misconduct;
- b. Respondent concedes his misconduct in violation of the Rules of Professional Conduct, accepts responsibility, and

expresses sincere remorse;

- c. Respondent is cooperating with ODC;
- d. Respondent has agreed that a two-year license suspension is warranted for his misconduct in these disciplinary matters; and
- e. Respondent has demonstrated willingness to enter into consent discipline, saving ODC considerable time and expense in prosecuting this matter.

131. In addition to the mitigating factors cited herein, Respondent represents that in a hearing, he would have further offered the following information regarding his misconduct:

- a. At the time of the conduct, Respondent was a young attorney working in an established law firm with two experienced attorneys. Within a short period of time, one attorney left the firm and the other (Respondent's mentor, Jerry A. Weigle) retired. Respondent found himself without mentorship, training, guidance or oversight. Respondent would further testify that, as the sole attorney remaining at the law firm, he quickly became overwhelmed with his cases and workload and was not able to complete work with competence and diligence.
- b. Respondent also would provide evidence of his active

involvement in his community. He has served as staff member for the National Youth Leadership Program, board member for the Coy Public Library in Shippensburg, board representative for the Cumberland County Library System, and continues to volunteer with fundraising efforts for his past Boy Scouts of America troop.

132. The parties jointly submit, based on the circumstances described above, that disciplinary precedent supports a term of suspension of two years.

133. Respondent's conviction for criminal contempt alone "warrant[s] a suspension of one year and one day." *Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Richard J. McCague*, No. 185 DB 2020 (D.Bd. Rpt. 12/8/2025) (S.Ct. Order 4/20/26); *see also Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Benjamin Gerjoy Perez*, No. 15 DB 2017 (D.Bd. Rpt. 3/1/2019) (S.Ct. Order 5/8/2019) (one-year and one-day suspension following contempt, failure to notify ODC, and failure to appear for a public reprimand to address misconduct in connection with four client matters).

134. Likewise, conduct involving misrepresentations and neglect have resulted in a term of suspension. In *Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Jeffrey Michael Childs*, No. 160 DB 2022 (S.Ct. Order 6/28/2023) (consent), Mr.

Childs was suspended for 2 years for his conduct while representing Erie Insurance. Mr. Childs misled the client regarding the progress of its matters, provided the client and co-counsel fabricated letters, and redacted a court Order to conceal his neglect from other members of his firm. Like Respondent, Mr. Childs had no prior record of discipline. In *Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Brian Joseph McCormick, Jr.*, No. 178 DB 2025 (S.Ct. Order 1/23/26) (consent), Mr. McCormick was suspended for 3 years for his conduct in misleading approximately 16 clients as to the progress of the settlement negotiations in their personal injury matters and presenting false releases for their signature. Mr. McCormick also had no prior history of discipline.

135. Respondent's misconduct is more analogous to that in *Childs* and not quite as pervasive as *McCormick*. Like Mr. Childs, Respondent misled two clients and fabricated one document to further his false and misleading misrepresentations to one client regarding the progress of her matter. In contrast, Mr. McCormick's misrepresentations and false documents involved representation of approximately 16 clients, supporting a three-year suspension.

136. Since the inception of the disciplinary investigation, Respondent has admitted his misconduct and accepted responsibility. Respondent

agrees to a period of suspension to work on issues which led to his misconduct, and understands that he will be unable to return to practice until he demonstrates his fitness to do so.

137. Respondent states that he plans to contact Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers to request assistance with programs that might help him and intends to consult with a therapist.

138. A suspension of two years will ensure that the public is protected, which is the overriding goal of the disciplinary system.

139. The parties respectfully submit that a two-year suspension is consistent with the above-cited disciplinary authority and is a fair and appropriate resolution based on the specific facts and mitigating factors present in this case.

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 two-year suspension.

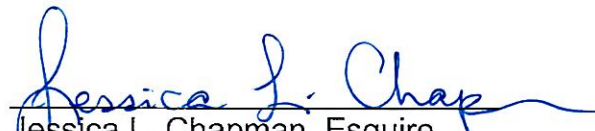
Respectfully submitted,

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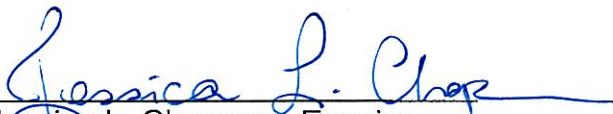
VERIFICATION

The statements made in the foregoing Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 215(d) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. This statement is made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Respectfully submitted,

9/25/26
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EXHIBIT A

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THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 38 DB 2026
Petitioner	:	
	:	
v.	:	
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ADAM HAMILTON FENNEN,	:	Atty Reg. No. 326267
Respondent	:	
	:	(Cumberland County)

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

Respondent, Adam Hamilton Fennen, hereby states that he consents to the imposition of a two-year suspension by the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, as jointly recommended by Petitioner, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, and Respondent, in the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent to which this affidavit is attached, and further states that:

1. He is an attorney admitted in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having been admitted to the bar on October 11, 2018.
2. He desires to submit a Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent under Rule 215(d), Pa.R.D.E.
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.

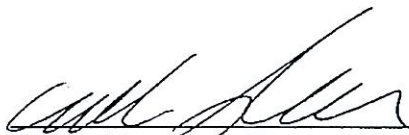
4. He is aware that there is a pending proceeding involving allegations that he has been guilty of misconduct, as set forth in the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent under Rule 215(d), Pa.R.D.E., to which this affidavit is attached.

5. He acknowledged that the material facts set forth in the Joint Petition are true.

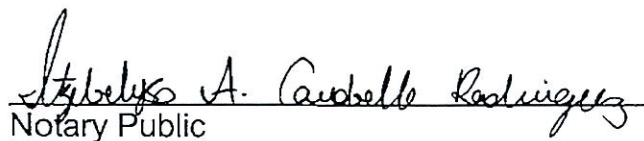
6. He consents because he knows that if the matter pending against him is prosecuted, he could not successfully defend against the charges.

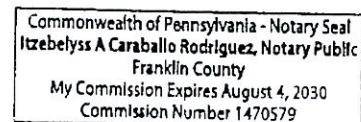
7. He acknowledges that he is fully aware of his right to consult and employ counsel in connection with his decision to execute the within Joint Petition.

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


Adam Hamilton Fennen
Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed
Before me this 24 day of September, 2026


Notary Public



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CERIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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9/25/26
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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: Jessica L. Chapman, Disciplinary Counsel

Attorney No.: 323038