

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL, : No. 2530 Disciplinary Docket No. 3  
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Petitioner : :  
: : No. 157 DB 2018  
v. : :  
: :  
DORY L. SATER, : Attorney Registration No. 83783  
: :  
Respondent : (Delaware County)

**ORDER**

**PER CURIAM**

**AND NOW**, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022, having failed to respond to a Rule to show cause why Respondent should not be disbarred, the Rule is made absolute, and Dory L. Sater is disbarred from the Bar of this Commonwealth. See Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(9). Respondent shall comply with all of the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 217 and pay costs to the Disciplinary Board pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(g).

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As Of 12/28/2022

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Chief Clerk  
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

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TO THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE AND JUSTICES OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA:

Petitioner, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC), by Thomas J. Farrell,  
Esquire, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and by Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr., Esquire,  
Disciplinary Counsel, files this Petition for Issuance of a Rule to Show Cause  
Why an Order of Disbarment Should Not Be Issued Pursuant to  
Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement 208(f)(8), and in support  
thereof states:

1. Petitioner, whose principal office is situated at the PA Judicial  
Center, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2700, P.O. Box 62485,  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania is invested, pursuant to Rule 207 of the  
Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (hereinafter "Pa.R.D.E."),

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 various provisions of said Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement.

2. Respondent, Dory L. Sater, is a formerly admitted attorney. He was admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on October 20, 1999. His attorney registration number is 83783. Respondent's last Attorney Registration Statement filed on July 18, 2018, listed his public mailing address as 1113 Cornell Avenue, Drexel Hill, PA 19026. Upon information and belief, Respondent is currently incarcerated at USP Lewisburg, Inmate number 76844-067, U.S. Penitentiary, P.O. Box 1000, Lewisburg, PA 17837. Respondent is subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court.

3. On September 12, 2018, ODC filed with this Honorable Court a *Petition for Temporary Suspension and Related Relief Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(1)*. (hereinafter, "Petition for Temporary Suspension") A true and correct copy of the Petition for Temporary Suspension (without Exhibits) is attached as ODC-1.

4. The Petition for Temporary Suspension, alleged *inter alia*, that Respondent's failure to respond to ODC's August 16, 2018 REQUEST FOR Pa.R.P.C. 1.15(c) REQUIRED RECORDS (hereinafter, "Request for Required Records") issued pursuant to Enforcement Rule 221(g)(1) and D.Bd. Rule § 91.178(b) and Respondent's recurring and ongoing pattern of failing to respond to multiple DB-7 Requests for Statement of Respondent's Position in violation of Pa.R.D.E. 203(b)(7), demonstrated a manifest violation of the Disciplinary Rules and Enforcement Rules constituting egregious misconduct warranting his immediate temporary suspension to protect the public. A true and correct copy of the August 16, 2018 Request for Required Records that was personally served on Respondent on August 16, 2018 is attached as ODC-2.

5. On September 27, 2018, Respondent filed *Respondent's Responses to Petition for Temporary Suspension and Other Relief*. (hereinafter, "Response to Petition for Temporary Suspension") A true and correct copy of the Response to Petition for Temporary Suspension is attached as ODC-3.

6. In his Response to Petition for Temporary Suspension, Respondent:

- a) admitted that the “[Request for Required Records] was received on August 16, 2018”;
- b) claimed that he had “hardly enough time to prepare responses” to the Request for Required Records, but was “preparing and sending response to this request concurrently with this response” and promised to “fully cooperate with this request”;
- c) claimed to have only recently received the November 30, 2016 DB-7 letter relating to File # C2-16-434, but represented he was “sending to ODC [a] response of the more recent documents concurrently with this response”;
- d) admitted “that respondent recently received [the August 2, 2018 DB-7A for file C2-16-434] and is intending to fully cooperate with ODC. Response to this allegation is being sent concurrently with this response”; and
- e) admitted he recently received the August 2, 2018 DB-7 and August 14, 2018 DB-7A for file C2-17-354 and was “intending to fully cooperate with ODC. Response to this allegation is being sent concurrently with this response to

the petition.”

7. On October 1, 2018, ODC filed *Office of Disciplinary Counsel's Reply to Respondent's Responses to Petition for Temporary Suspension and Related Relief Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(1)*. (hereinafter, “ODC Reply”) A true and correct copy of the ODC Reply is attached as ODC-4.

8. ODC's Reply specifically:

- a) denied that Respondent had “concurrently” with his Response to Petition for Temporary Suspension submitted a response to ODC's Request for Required Records;
- b) represented that to date ODC had **not** received **any** response or documents related to ODC's Request for Required Records;
- c) denied that Respondent “concurrently” sent responses to the outstanding DB-7s and DB-7As; and
- d) represented that to date ODC had **not** received responses to the outstanding DB-7 and DB-7A Letters of Inquiry.

9. By Order dated October 12, 2018, following consideration of the responses, this Honorable Court:

- a) placed Respondent on temporary suspension until further definitive action by the Court;

- b) ordered Respondent to comply with the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 217; and
- c) advised that in the event Respondent fully complied with the ODC's records requests, Respondent could seek dissolution or amendment of the order, or request accelerated disposition of the charges underlying the order pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(6).

A true and correct copy of the October 12, 2018 Order is attached as ODC-5.

10. By cover letter to Respondent dated October 12, 2018, Disciplinary Board Prothonotary Marcee D. Sloan:

- a) enclosed a copy of the Order of the Court dated October 12, 2018 placing Respondent on temporary suspension;
- b) provided copies of :
  - i. Standard Guidance of the Disciplinary Board to Lawyers who have been Suspended Under Rule 208(f);
  - ii. Rule 217 of the Pa.R.D.E.;
  - iii. Form DB-23, Nonlitigation Notice of Suspension;
  - iv. Form DB-24, Litigation Notice of Suspension;
  - v. Form DB-25, Statement of Compliance; and



- c) advised Respondent that he was required to comply with the enclosed Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement and Disciplinary Board Rules.

A true and correct copy of the October 12, 2018 correspondence (without enclosures) is attached as ODC-6.

11. By letter to Respondent dated February 8, 2019, Disciplinary Board Prothonotary Marcee D. Sloan:

- a) enclosed a copy of her October 12, 2018 letter to Respondent;
- b) advised Respondent that he had not complied with a specific requirement of the Order entered by this Honorable Court in that her Office had not received his verified statement required by Rule 217, Pa.R.D.E; and
- c) warned that failure to file the statement required by Rule 217 has serious consequences on any future reinstatement petition he may wish to file.

A true and correct copy of the February 8, 2019 correspondence (without enclosures) is attached as ODC-7.

12. By DB-7 Request for Statement of Respondent's Position dated March 22, 2019 in connection with file C2-19-290, ODC alleged *inter alia*, that on February 26, 2019, while on temporary suspension, Respondent:

- a) appeared with his client before Luzerne County Magisterial District Judge James M. Dixon;
- b) represented he wished to enter his appearance and represent his client in his scheduled preliminary hearing for a DUI criminal matter;
- c) provided Judge Dixon with Respondent's Pennsylvania Attorney License containing his ID number;
- d) represented to Judge Dixon that Respondent had recently received an administrative suspension that was overturned;
- e) was advised by Judge Dixon that Respondent's name could not be found on the computer; and
- f) was prevented by Judge Dixon from representing the client in his preliminary hearing.

13. The March 22, 2019 DB-7 was sent by certified mail, return receipt requested and was received by Respondent on March 25, 2019. A true and correct copy of the March 22, 2019 DB-7 and the green card

evidencing receipt by Respondent is attached as ODC-8.

14. Respondent failed to respond in any manner to the March 22, 2019 DB-7 Letter.

15. On April 27, 2022, ODC filed with this Honorable Court a Notice of Criminal Convictions of Respondent and advised:

- a) Respondent had pled guilty on December 10, 2021 in the Court of Common Pleas of Delaware County to felony of the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree theft and conspiracy charges and had been sentenced to serve nine to twenty-three and one-half months in Delaware County Prison, followed by five years' probation on the theft charge consecutive to confinement and five years' probation on the conspiracy charge, consecutive to the theft charge;
- b) Respondent was found guilty by a jury on November 10, 2020 in the United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania on Attempted Bank Fraud and Aggravated Identity Theft and was sentenced on March 22, 2022 to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of thirty-six months and upon release from prison, to be on supervised release for a term of two years;

and

- c) Respondent did not report his convictions to ODC as required by Pa.R.D.E. 214(a).

16. A true and correct copy of the Notice of Criminal Conviction is attached as ODC-9.

17. To date, ODC has not received any of the documents requested in its August 16, 2018 Request for Required Records and Respondent has not complied in any manner with ODC's records requests.

18. To date, ODC has not received responses to the outstanding DB-7s and DB-7As.

19. To date, Respondent has not sought dissolution or amendment of the October 12, 2018 Order or requested accelerated disposition of the charges underlying the Order pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(6).

20. To date, Respondent has not filed with the Disciplinary Board a Statement of Compliance as required by Pa.R.D.E. 217(e).

21. Issuance of a Rule to Show Cause is appropriate under the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(8)(i), (ii) and (iii).

22. Respondent's conduct both prior to and subsequent to his temporary suspension demonstrate his wholesale disregard for his professional obligations and this Honorable Court.

**PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

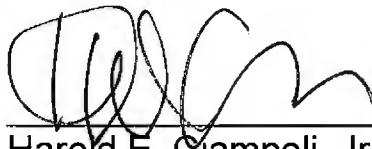
WHEREFORE, ODC respectfully requests that your Honorable Court issue a Rule to Show Cause upon Respondent why an order of disbarment should not be entered pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(8).

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

Thomas J. Farrell  
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By:



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**RULE TO SHOW CAUSE**

PER CURIAM:

AND NOW, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, upon consideration of the Petition for Issuance of a Rule to Show Cause Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(8),

a Rule is issued upon Dory L. Sater to show cause why an order of disbarment should not be entered.

Respondent is directed to file any Response to the Petition and to this Rule within thirty (30) days of the date hereof and to timely serve a copy of said response upon the Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

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**ORDER**

PER CURIAM:

AND NOW, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, a Rule to Show Cause having been entered by this Court on Dory L. Sater, and upon consideration of the responses filed, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Rule is made absolute and Dory L. Sater is disbarred from the Bar of this Commonwealth;
2. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 217;  
and
3. Respondent shall pay costs to the Disciplinary Board pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(g).

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**PROOF OF SERVICE**

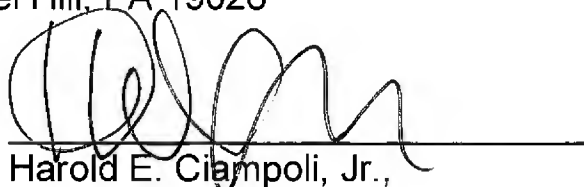
I hereby certify that I am this day serving a copy of the Petition for Issuance of a Rule to Show Cause Why an Order of Disbarment Should Not Be Issued Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E 208(f)(8) and all accompanying documents upon the person and in the manner indicated below, which service satisfies the requirements of Pa.R.D.E. 208(f)(1) and (8).

**By: Attempted Personal Service Upon Dory L. Sater  
USP Lewisburg, Inmate number 76844-067  
U.S. Penitentiary, P.O. Box 1000  
Lewisburg, PA 17837**

**and By: Regular and Certified Mail Addressed to  
Addresses Respondent furnished in his last  
registration statement filed on July 18, 2018 by  
Respondent pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 219(d):**

1113 Cornell Avenue  
Drexel Hill, PA 19026

Date: 9/14/22



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VERIFIED STATEMENT

I, Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr., Disciplinary Counsel, state under the penalties provided in 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (unsworn falsification to authorities) that:

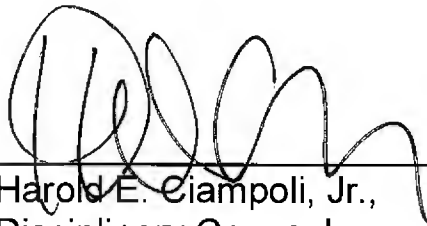
I am a Disciplinary Counsel of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania assigned to prosecute this matter pursuant to the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement;

I am authorized to make this verified statement; and

The facts contained in the attached Petition for Issuance of a Rule to Show Cause Why an Order of Disbarment Should not be Issued pursuant to Pa.R.D.E 208(f)(8) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

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Date

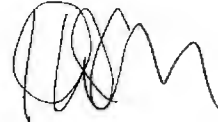


Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr.,  
Disciplinary Counsel

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: Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr.



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Harold E. Ciampoli, Jr.  
Attorney No. (if applicable): 51159