

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 3180 Disciplinary Docket No. 3
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Petitioner	:	No. 156 DB 2025
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	:	Attorney Registration No. 27135
v.	:	
	:	(Philadelphia)
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LAWRENCE L. RUBIN,	:	
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Respondent	:	

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 10th day of June, 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 Lawrence L. Rubin is suspended on consent from the Bar of this Commonwealth for a period of three years, retroactive to April 22, 2026. 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).

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 3180 Disc. Docket
Petitioner	:	No. 3
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	:	No. 156 DB 2025
v.	:	
	:	Atty. Reg. No. 27135
LAWRENCE L. RUBIN,	:	
Respondent	:	(Philadelphia)

**JOINT PETITION IN SUPPORT OF DISCIPLINE
ON CONSENT UNDER RULE 215(d), Pa.R.D.E.**

Petitioner, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC), by Thomas J. Farrell, Esquire, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, and by Richard Hernandez, Esquire, Disciplinary Counsel, and Respondent, Lawrence L. Rubin, who is represented by Samuel C. Stretton, Esquire, file this Joint Petition In Support of Discipline On Consent Under Rule 215(d) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (the Joint Petition) and respectfully represent that:

1. Petitioner, whose principal office is located at Pennsylvania Judicial Center, Suite 2700, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, P.O. Box 62485, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is invested, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (Pa.R.D.E.), with the power and duty to 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 said Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement.

2. Respondent, Lawrence L. Rubin, was born in 1953, was admitted to

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practice law in the Commonwealth on April 19, 1978, is currently registered as active, and maintains a public access address at 2033 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

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.

4. On November 21, 2025, Petitioner filed a Petition for Discipline against Respondent with the Disciplinary Board Prothonotary.

5. On December 4, 2025, Mr. Stretton, on behalf of Respondent, filed an Answer to the Petition for Discipline.

6. On April 1, 2026, ODC filed with the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania a Petition for Emergency Temporary Suspension Order and Related Relief Pursuant to Rule 208(f)(1), Pa.R.D.E. (the ETS Petition).

7. On April 9, 2026, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania issued an Order and Rule to Show Cause upon Respondent to, among other things, show why he should not be placed on temporary suspension and file a response within ten days of the date of the rule.

8. On April 14, 2026, Mr. Stretton, on behalf of Respondent, submitted a response to the Order and Rule to Show Cause that states Respondent does not contest the ETS Petition.

SPECIFIC FACTUAL ADMISSIONS AND ETHICS RULES VIOLATED

9. Respondent has agreed to enter into a joint recommendation for consent discipline.

10. Respondent stipulates that the factual allegations set forth below are true and correct and that he violated the charged Rules of Professional Conduct as set forth herein.

CHARGE I: COMPLAINT OF RONNETTE PORTER

11. Sometime in December 2018, Ms. Ronnette Porter retained Respondent to represent her for injuries she sustained in an automobile accident that occurred in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

12. On December 4, 2020, Respondent commenced a lawsuit on behalf of Ms. Porter and Ms. Malika Uqdah Durant by filing a Praecipe to Issue Writ of Summons in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, said case captioned ***Ronnette Porter et al. vs. Wawa, Inc. et al.***, docket number 201102839 (the Porter lawsuit).

13. On April 7, 2021, Respondent filed a Complaint in the Porter lawsuit.

14. On May 13, 2021, counsel for defendants filed an Answer and New Matter in the Porter lawsuit.

15. Sometime in April or May 2022, Ms. Porter was deposed by defense counsel.

16. The Porter lawsuit was listed for an arbitration hearing to occur on May 31, 2022, at 10:45 a.m. at the Arbitration Center.

17. On May 23, 2022, Respondent filed an application to continue the arbitration hearing.

18. On May 23, 2022, Respondent's application to continue the arbitration hearing was granted and the Porter lawsuit was rescheduled for an arbitration hearing to occur on February 16, 2023, at 10:45 a.m. at the Arbitration Center.

19. Respondent received notice of the date and time of the rescheduled arbitration hearing date.

20. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Porter of the date, time and location of the arbitration hearing.

21. Sometime after May 23, 2022, Ms. Porter visited Respondent at his office to inquire about the status of the Porter lawsuit.

22. During this office visit, Respondent misrepresented to Ms. Porter that the Porter lawsuit had yet to receive an arbitration hearing date.

23. Thereafter, Respondent ceased communicating with Ms. Porter about the Porter lawsuit.

24. Respondent failed to appear for the February 16, 2023 arbitration hearing in the Porter lawsuit.

25. Ms. Porter also failed to appear for the February 16, 2023 arbitration hearing in the Porter lawsuit because she had no notice from Respondent of that listing.

26. On February 17, 2023, the court entered a Judgment of Non Pros in the Porter lawsuit based on the failure of Ms. Porter and Respondent to appear for the arbitration hearing.

27. Respondent received notice of the Judgment of Non Pros.

28. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Porter that:

- a. a Judgment of Non Pros had been entered in the Porter lawsuit and the reasons therefor; and
- b. she should consult with independent counsel because she may have grounds for pursuing a legal malpractice claim against Respondent.

29. By his conduct as alleged in paragraphs 11 through 28 above, Respondent violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct:

- a. RPC 1.3, which states that a lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client;
- b. RPC 1.4(a)(3), which states that a lawyer shall keep the client reasonably informed about the status of the matter;
- c. RPC 1.4(b), which states that a lawyer shall explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation; and
- d. RPC 8.4(c), which states that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation, except that a lawyer may advise,

direct, or supervise others, including clients, law enforcement officers, and investigators who participate in lawful investigative activities.

CHARGE II: COMPLAINT OF SHAVAN ULYSSE

30. Sometime in the winter of 2019, Ms. Shavan Ulysse retained Respondent to represent her for any claims she had arising for injuries she sustained from a slip and fall accident that occurred in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (the accident).

31. Respondent had not previously represented Ms. Ulysse.

32. Respondent failed to provide Ms. Ulysse with a written fee agreement before or within a reasonable time after commencing the representation.

33. In Pennsylvania, the statute of limitations for filing a personal injury case is two years.

34. By sometime in the winter of 2021, the time had lapsed for filing a lawsuit on behalf of Ms. Ulysse for any injuries she sustained from the accident.

35. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Ulysse that:

- a. he failed to commence a lawsuit on her behalf before the expiration of the statute of limitations; and
- b. she should consult with independent counsel because she may have grounds for pursuing a legal malpractice claim against him.

36. On February 21, 2023, Respondent commenced a lawsuit on behalf of Ms. Ulysse by filing a Praecipe to Issue Writ of Summons in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, said case captioned ***Shavan Ulysse vs. Moon Landscaping and Fox Street Holdings LLC***, docket number 230202135 (the Ulysse lawsuit).

37. On May 16, 2023, counsel for Fox Street Holdings LLC, filed a Praecipe to Defer the Ulysse lawsuit due to a pending case filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, that case captioned ***Moon Group, Inc. et al. v. KORE Capital Corporation***, No. 21-51176-JKS (the Moon case).

38. On or about May 16, 2023, the Ulysse lawsuit was placed on deferred status.

39. Respondent failed to advise Ms. Ulysse that:

- a. he had filed the Ulysse lawsuit; and
- b. the Ulysse lawsuit was placed on deferred status.

40. Sometime in 2021 and continuing through December 2024, Ms. Ulysse called Respondent from time to time to request an update on her legal matter and documented proof that he was working on her legal matter.

41. On those occasions Ms. Ulysse reached Respondent by telephone, he told her he would provide documentation to her and assured her that nothing was amiss in her legal matter.

42. Respondent failed to provide any documentation to Ms. Ulysse related to her legal matter.

43. During Respondent's telephone conversations with Ms. Ulysse, he failed to advise her that:

- a. he failed to commence a lawsuit on her behalf before the expiration of the statute of limitations;
- b. he had filed the Ulysse lawsuit;
- c. the Ulysse lawsuit was placed on deferred status; and
- d. she should consult with independent counsel because she may have grounds for pursuing a legal malpractice claim against him.

44. By letter dated December 20, 2024, sent to Respondent by certified mail, Ms. Ulysse, *inter alia*:

- a. stated that she had called Respondent "countless times for updates only to be met with 'I'm working on it'";
- b. noted that he had never called her to provide an update;
- c. recounted her last telephone conversation with him, during which he told her that "things are looking good" as regards her legal matter; and
- d. requested that he "forward any and all correspondence regarding the progress of [her] case."

45. Between December 21, 2024 and January 23, 2025, Ms. Ulysse called Respondent several times and left voicemail messages requesting that he call her back.

46. Respondent failed to return Ms. Ulysse's voicemail messages.

47. On January 24, 2025, Ms. Ulysse called Respondent and he answered.

48. During this telephone conversation, Respondent told Ms. Ulysse:

- a. he had not received Ms. Ulysse's December 20, 2024 letter;
and
- b. he would mail documentation to her related to her legal matter.

49. By letter dated February 17, 2025, sent to Respondent by certified mail, Ms. Ulysse, *inter alia*:

- a. stated this was her second letter to Respondent regarding her legal matter;
- b. recounted her attempts to reach him by letter and telephone between December 20, 2024, through January 24, 2025;
- c. summarized what he told her during the January 24, 2025 telephone conversation;
- d. advised she still had not received from him any documentation showing work he had performed in connection with her legal matter; and

e. requested that he “forward any and all correspondence regarding the progression of [her] case.”

50. On February 21, 2025, Respondent received this letter.

51. Respondent failed to respond to this letter.

52. By his conduct as alleged in paragraphs 30 through 51 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. Competent representation requires the legal knowledge, skill, thoroughness and preparation reasonably necessary for the representation;
- b. RPC 1.3, which states that a lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client;
- c. RPC 1.4(a)(3), which states that a lawyer shall keep the client reasonably informed about the status of the matter;
- d. RPC 1.4(a)(4), which states that a lawyer shall promptly comply with reasonable requests for information;
- e. RPC 1.4(b), which states that a lawyer shall explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation;
- f. RPC 1.5(b), which states that when the lawyer has not regularly represented the client, the basis or rate of the fee

- shall be communicated to the client, in writing, before or within a reasonable time after commencing the representation; and
- g. RPC 8.4(c), which states that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation, except that a lawyer may advise, direct, or supervise others, including clients, law enforcement officers, and investigators who participate in lawful investigative activities.

SPECIFIC JOINT RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCIPLINE

53. Petitioner and Respondent jointly recommend that the appropriate discipline for Respondent's admitted misconduct is a suspension of three years.

54. 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 Rule 215(d), Pa.R.D.E., stating that he consents to the recommended discipline, including the mandatory acknowledgements contained in Rule 215(d)(1) through (4), Pa.R.D.E.

55. Petitioner and Respondent respectfully submit that there are four mitigating circumstances:

- a. Respondent has admitted engaging in misconduct and violating the charged Rules of Professional Conduct;
- b. Respondent has cooperated with Petitioner, as is evidenced by Respondent's admissions herein and his consent to

- receiving a suspension for three years;
- c. Respondent is remorseful for his misconduct and understands he should be disciplined, as is evidenced by his consent to receiving a suspension for three years; and
- d. Respondent filed with our Court a response to the Order and Rule to Show Cause that states he is not contesting the ETS Petition.

56. Respondent desires to bring to the attention of the Three-Member Panel of the Disciplinary Board and the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania that at a disciplinary hearing, Respondent would testify that beginning in 2024, he was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, he had received six months of extensive chemotherapy, and he had difficulty satisfying his professional obligations since his cancer diagnosis and treatment.

57. Petitioner and Respondent also submit that there are three aggravating factors.

58. One aggravating factor is Respondent's record of discipline.

- a. On May 12, 2004, Respondent received an informal admonition for violating RPC 1.4(a), RPC 1.4(b), RPC 1.8(h), and RPC 8.4(c). In that disciplinary matter, Respondent was found to have: failed to respond to his client's written inquiry regarding her civil matter; failed to advise his client that Respondent had not filed a third-party action on her behalf

prior to the expiration of the statute of limitations and the reasons therefor; failed to advise his client that she should obtain independent representation before she entered into an agreement with Respondent settling any legal malpractice claim she had against Respondent; and misrepresented to his client that her case remained active.

- b. Respondent was suspended for one year by Order of this Court dated February 6, 2012, for misconduct impacting four clients. The Disciplinary Board determined that Respondent violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2(a), 1.4(a)(2), 1.4(a)(3), 1.4(b), 1.15(b) (effective 4/23/05, and superseded effective 9/20/08), and 8.4(c). In one case, Respondent failed to obtain authorization from an estate administrator to settle an automobile accident case, failed to advise the estate administrator or her husband the accident case had been settled, the settlement checks had been received, and the settlement funds had been misappropriated by his law partner, and misrepresented the actual status of the accident case. In three cases, Respondent failed to obtain authorization to settle his clients' accident cases, failed to advise his clients their accident cases had been settled, the settlement checks had been received, and the settlement

funds had been misappropriated by his law partner, and misrepresented the actual status of the accident cases to his clients. **Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Lawrence L. Rubin**, No. 90 DB 2010 (D.Bd. Rpt. 10/11/2011)(S.Ct. Order 2/6/2012).

59. A second aggravating factor are two malpractice lawsuits filed against Respondent.

60. In 2024, a legal malpractice lawsuit was filed against Respondent in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, the case captioned **Elizabeth Taylor vs. Lawrence L. Rubin, Esq., et al.**, Case ID. No. 240202924 (the Taylor lawsuit), which settled for \$40,000.

61. The Complaint filed in the Taylor lawsuit alleged that:

- a. S. Stacy Mogul, Esquire, represented Ms. Taylor for injuries she sustained in a motor vehicle accident that occurred on May 2, 2019;
- b. Mr. Mogul commenced a lawsuit on behalf of Ms. Taylor by filing a Writ of Summons in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, **Elizabeth Taylor vs. Robert Burke**, Case ID. No. 210402952;
- c. an arbitration hearing was scheduled for February 25, 2022;
- d. with Ms. Taylor's knowledge, Respondent entered his appearance on behalf of Ms. Taylor on August 19, 2021;
- e. Mr. Mogul withdrew his appearance on August 26, 2021;

- f. Ms. Taylor and Respondent exchanged email communications in September 2021;
- g. Respondent did not file and serve a Complaint, nor did he inform Ms. Taylor that an arbitration hearing was scheduled for February 25, 2022;
- h. following the arbitration hearing on February 25, 2022, at which none of the parties appeared, the court entered a Judgment of Non Pros;
- i. Respondent did not inform Ms. Taylor that a Judgment of Non Pros was entered; and
- j. throughout the latter half of 2022 and 2023, Respondent led Ms. Taylor to believe that he was working to resolve her case.

62. In 2018, a legal malpractice lawsuit was filed against Respondent in the Philadelphia Municipal Court, the case captioned **Lawrence Kendricks vs. Lawrence Rubin, Esquire**, Case No. SC-18-09-20-4799 (the Kendricks lawsuit), which settled for \$12,000.

63. The Statement of Claim filed in the Kendricks lawsuit alleged that:

- a. Mr. Kendricks retained Respondent to represent him for injuries he sustained in a motor vehicle accident that occurred on January 14, 2015;
- b. on January 13, 2017, Respondent commenced a lawsuit on behalf of Mr. Kendricks by filing a Writ of Summons in the

Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, which named Lindsay Andrukanis as a defendant; and

- c. Respondent failed to serve the Writ of Summons on Lindsay Andrukanis, which resulted in the dismissal of the lawsuit Respondent filed on behalf of Mr. Kendricks.

64. A third aggravating factor are the dismissals of three personal injury cases Respondent filed on behalf of his clients in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas in 2024 and 2025, which occurred due to inaction on Respondent's part.

- a. On September 24, 2025, following a rule returnable hearing, a Judgment of Non Pros was entered in ***Jonas Longin vs. Pedro Declervil***, docket number 240802414 (the Longin lawsuit); Respondent failed to serve a Complaint on the defendant.
- b. On October 2, 2025, a Judgment of Non pros was entered in ***Adio Olanrewaju et al. v. Amir Reid***, docket number 241101869 (the Olanrewaju lawsuit) because none of the parties had appeared for an arbitration hearing scheduled for October 2, 2025; Respondent filed a Writ of Summons, which had not been served on the defendant.
- c. On March 5, 2026, following a rule returnable hearing, a Judgment of Non Pros was entered in ***Rafiah Cheeks vs. ABF***

Freight et al., Case ID. No. 250801391 (the Cheeks lawsuit);

Respondent failed to file and serve a Complaint.

65. In Pennsylvania, there is no *per se* discipline for a particular type of misconduct; rather, each case is reviewed individually while being mindful of precedent and the need for consistency. ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Lucarini***, 472 A.2d 186, 190 (Pa. 1983). “Because discipline is imposed on a case-by-case basis, we must consider the totality of facts presented, including any aggravating and mitigating factors.” ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Preski***, 134 A.3d 1027, 1031 (Pa. 2016)(citing case).

66. Petitioner and Respondent believe that the joint recommendation for a three-year suspension is consistent with other comparable cases involving attorneys who engaged in misconduct accompanied by a record of private and public discipline.

In ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Gary Scott Silver***, No. 92 DB 2022 (D.Bd. Rpt. 6/7/2024)(S.Ct. Order 10/16/2024), Silver was suspended for four years for mishandling a single legal matter. Silver failed to file a federal lawsuit on behalf of his clients before the expiration of the statute of limitations for claims they had arising from the suicide of their son while he was incarcerated. For approximately eight years, Silver misrepresented to his clients that a federal lawsuit had been filed. An aggravating factor was Silver’s record of private and public discipline consisting of an informal admonition for two matters, a private reprimand for one matter, and a suspension of his law license for six months

followed by a twelve-month period of probation, with conditions, for two matters. D.Bd. Rpt. 35-36. Other aggravating factors included civil lawsuits, unpaid default judgments, and tax liens against Silver, Silver's actions to delay the disciplinary process and a final disposition, his repeated lies to his clients to conceal his misconduct over many years, and his misconduct's detrimental impact on the integrity of the legal profession. *Id.* at 37-39. Mitigating factors assigned some weight were Silver's character evidence, acceptance of responsibility, and expressions of remorse. *Id.* at 40-41.

An attorney was suspended for two years for neglecting a single client matter where the principal aggravating factor was a record of private and public discipline. ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Melanie D. Naro***, No. 212 DB 2011 (D.Bd. Rpt. 9/19/2012)(S.Ct. Order 12/6/2012). Naro represented a client in a divorce matter. Naro failed to: timely provide discovery to opposing counsel in connection with her client's equitable distribution claim in a divorce proceeding, which jeopardized her client's continued receipt of alimony; respond to her client's inquiries; keep her client informed about developments in the client's legal matter; provide her client with a written fee agreement; withdraw promptly from the representation after she was discharged; and return the legal file to her client. D.Bd. Rpt. 3-5. Naro also failed to answer ODC's DB-7 letter. *Id.* at 4. Naro had been disciplined three previous times:

- a private reprimand in 2006 for improperly handling funds in her escrow account held on behalf of a third party pending the transfer of a liquor license to her client;
- an informal admonition in 2007 for three client matters that involved failing to communicate with clients, failing to litigate the clients' matters and to return client files, and failing to refund unearned fees after her termination; and
- a six-month suspension ordered in July 2012, accompanied by probation for one year under the supervision of a practice monitor, for neglecting two pending divorce cases, failing to communicate with her two clients, and failing to return client files and to refund unearned fees when discharged. *Id.* at 8.

67. Also instructive are disciplinary cases involving attorneys who neglected multiple matters and had an extensive record of private discipline; those attorneys received suspensions ranging from 18 months to two years.

In ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Nicholas E. Fick***, No. 132 DB 2012 (D.Bd. Rpt. 11/4/2013)(S.Ct. Order 3/31/2014), Fick was suspended for eighteen months for neglecting three client files, failing to communicate with his three clients, failing to answer DB-7 letters, and misrepresenting to one client that there were contacts with opposing counsel. D.Bd. Rpt. 3-9. Fick's record of progressive private discipline consisted of: an informal admonition administered in 1999 for neglecting two client files; a private reprimand administered in 2002 for neglecting

a personal injury case; and a six-month suspension in 2005, with the suspension stayed in its entirety, and probation for one year under the supervision of a practice monitor, for failing to promptly disburse settlement proceeds to a client (at the time, the stayed suspension with probation was treated as private discipline, as opposed to today's treatment of such a sanction as public discipline). *Id.* at 3, 18.

In ***Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Michael Mayro***, No. 144 DB 2001 (D.Bd. Rpt. 10/27/2003)(S.Ct. Order 2/3/2004), Mayro received a two-year suspension for misconduct in four matters, including lack of diligence, failure to properly communicate with clients, failure to provide a written fee agreement, making false statements to two clients, and forwarding an authorization for release of records signed by his client, which authorization was dated a day after the client had died. D.Bd. Rpt. 21. Mayro's disciplinary record included two informal admonitions administered in 1995 and two private reprimands, with probation under the supervision of a practice monitor, in 1999. *Id.* at 22.

The foregoing cases demonstrate that the joint recommendation of a three-year suspension is within the range of discipline that has been imposed in cases where, as here, an attorney committed additional misconduct after previously being disciplined several times. Petitioner and Respondent contend that Respondent's sanction should fall somewhere between the two-year suspension imposed on Naro and the four-year suspension received by Silver; hence, the three-year suspension recommendation. Both Silver and Respondent had former clients file legal malpractice lawsuits against them. Respondent's and Silver's

matters differ in that Respondent has not over the course of years made multiple misrepresentations to his clients to evade disciplinary consequences, which circumstances were treated as weighty aggravating factors in determining Silver's sanction. Also, Respondent has agreed to being suspended for three years and to not contest the ETS Petition, which will result in his temporary suspension while his disciplinary matter remains pending. By contrast, Silver sought to avoid a term of suspension that would require Silver to prove his fitness at a reinstatement hearing. See **Silver**, D.Bd. Rpt. 43; Pa.R.D.E. 218(a)(4) and (c)(3).

68. Petitioner and Respondent submit that the joint recommendation of a three-year suspension accounts for relevant precedent, Respondent's admissions, and the aggravating and mitigating factors.

Petitioner's and Respondent's joint suspension recommendation is of sufficient length to advance the goals of attorney discipline. Those goals are protecting the public, maintaining the integrity of the courts and the legal profession, and specific and general deterrence. See **Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. Keller**, 506 A.2d 872, 875 (Pa. 1986); **In re Iulo**, 766 A.2d 335, 338-339 (Pa. 2001). The three-year suspension recommendation requires Respondent to prove his fitness to resume the practice of law at a reinstatement hearing.

69. Respondent requests that his three-year suspension be made retroactive to the date of the Order for temporary suspension that the parties anticipate will be entered by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania now that

Respondent filed his response to the Order and Rule to Show Cause. Petitioner does not oppose Respondent's request. Respondent understands that the decision to grant his request lies solely within the discretion of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner and Respondent respectfully request that:

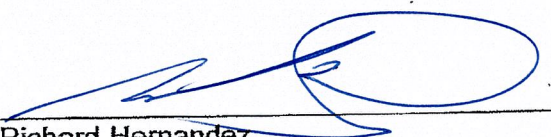
1. Pursuant to Rule 215(e) and 215(g), Pa.R.D.E., the Three-Member Panel of the Disciplinary Board review and approve the above Joint Petition In Support Of Discipline On Consent and file its recommendation with the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in which it is recommended that the Supreme Court enter an Order that Respondent receive a suspension of three years retroactive to the date of Respondent's temporary suspension; and that Respondent comply with all of the provisions of Rule 217, Pa.R.D.E.; and
2. Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 215(i), the Three-Member Panel of the Disciplinary Board recommend the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania enter an order for Respondent to pay the necessary expenses incurred in the investigation and prosecution of this matter, and that under Pa.R.D.E. 208(g)(1) all expenses be paid by Respondent within 30 days after the notice of taxed expenses is sent to Respondent.

Respectfully and jointly submitted,

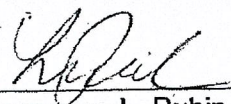
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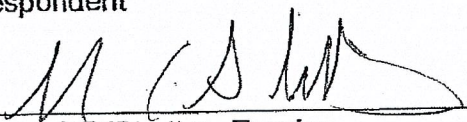
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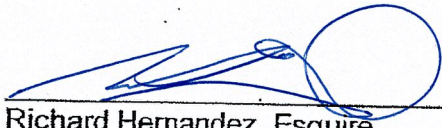
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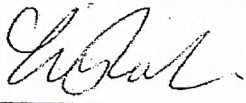
VERIFICATION

The statements contained in the foregoing Joint Petition In Support Of Discipline On Consent Under Pa.R.D.E. 215(d) are true and correct to the best of our knowledge or information and belief and are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.


April 15, 2026
Date


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4/13/26
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AFFIDAVIT UNDER RULE 215(d), Pa.R.D.E.

Respondent, Lawrence L. Rubin, hereby states that he consents to the imposition of a suspension of three years as jointly recommended by Petitioner, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, and Respondent in the Joint Petition in Support of Discipline on Consent and further states that:

1. His consent is freely and voluntarily rendered; he is not being subjected to coercion or duress; he is fully aware of the implications of submitting the consent; and he has consulted with Samuel C. Stretton, Esquire, in connection with the decision to consent to discipline;
2. He is aware that there is presently pending a disciplinary proceeding at 156 DB 2025, involving allegations that he has been guilty of misconduct as set forth in the Joint Petition;
3. He acknowledges that the material facts set forth in the Joint Petition are true; and
4. He consents because he knows that if the charges pending at 156 DB 2025 continued to be prosecuted, he could not successfully defend against them.

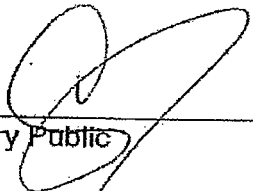


Lawrence L. Rubin, Esquire
Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed

before me this 13th

day of April, 2026.



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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.

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