Supreme Court of Florida

MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018

VS.

CASE NO.: SC16-2072 Lower Tribunal No(s).: 2016-50,292(17H)

THE FLORIDA BAR

DONALD ROBERT TESCHER

Complainant(s)

Respondent(s)

Upon consideration of the report of referee recommending a one-year suspension, the briefs, and the record, the Court has determined that Respondent should receive at least a one-year suspension. However, given the gravity of the uncontested findings of guilt, the Court hereby commands Donald Robert Tescher to show cause on or before August 15, 2018, why the referee's recommended sanction should not be disapproved and a more severe sanction, up to and including disbarment, be imposed. The Florida Bar may serve its response, if any, on or before September 4, 2018.

Further, on the Court's own motion, Respondent is suspended from the practice of law until further order of this Court, effective thirty days from the date of this order so that Respondent can close out his practice and protect the interests of existing clients. If Respondent notifies this Court in writing that he is no longer practicing and does not need the thirty days to protect existing clients, this Court will enter an order making the suspension effective immediately. Respondent shall fully comply with Rule Regulating the Florida Bar 3-5.1(h). In addition, Respondent shall accept no new business from the date this order is filed until further order of the Court.

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The filing of a motion for rehearing shall not alter the effective date of this suspension.

CANADY, C.J., and PARIENTE, LEWIS, QUINCE, POLSTON, LABARGA, and LAWSON, JJ., concur.

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John A. Tomasino

Clerk, Supreme Court



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Served:

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