IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA (Before a Referee)

THE FLORIDA BAR,
Complainant,

V.

DAVID ANDREW TAYLOR III,
Respondent.

Supreme Court Case
No. SC21-291

The Florida Bar File Nos.
2019-00,462(4A); 2020-00,090(4A);
2020-00,186(4A); 2020-00,272(4A);
2020-00,291(4A); 2020-00,322(4A);
2020-00,339(4A); 2021-00,158(4A)

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPORT OF REFEREE

COMES NOW, The Florida Bar on behalf of the Honorable Matthew MacLeod Foxman, and moves this court for an extension of time for the referee to file his report and says:

- The referee was appointed to the above-cited case on March 3,
 2021.
- On June 18, 2021, The Florida Bar filed a Motion to
 Consolidate all eight (8) Florida Bar files for trial. That motion was granted
 on June 22, 2021, and all files are now consolidated in Supreme Court
 Case No. SC21-291.
 - 3. All cases are now properly before the referee.
- The Report of Referee in the above-cited cases is currently due on or before February 4, 2022.

- 5. On August 30, 2021, the parties conducted a Status Conference and agreed that a trial could be completed in one week. The parties further agreed to try the cases starting on March 14, 2022, and concluding at the end of business on March 18, 2022.
- 6. The parties agreed that, in the event The Florida Bar proves any of its alleged rule violations, a Final Hearing on Recommended Discipline will be conducted at a mutually agreeable date and time.
- 7. Due to the number of bar files, witnesses and issues, the parties will need additional time to narrow the issues and prepare for trial.
 - 8. The referee will need sufficient time to issue his report.
- 9. The bar has conferred with David Rothman, Esq., counsel for respondent, and Mr. Rothman and Bar counsel have conferred with the Honorable Matthew McLeod Foxman, referee, and all agreed that the circumstances stated *supra* support the March 14, 2022, trial date and a May 20, 2022, date by which the referee shall file his report.

WHEREFORE, The Florida Bar prays this Honorable Court will issue an order granting the referee an extension of time until May 20, 2022, to file his report in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been e-filed with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, with a copy provided via email to Matthew McLeod Foxman, Referee, at ltaylor@circuit7.org, to Respondent's Counsel, David Bill Rothman, Esq., at dbr@rothmanlawyers.com; and to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 1st day of December, 2021.

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