

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

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File: D2016-0180

Date: OCT 07 2016

In re: RON MEYERS, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes  
Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Jeannette V. Dever  
Associate Legal Advisor

The respondent will be suspended from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals ("Board"), the Immigration Courts, and the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") for 2 months.

On October 9, 2015, the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County, Massachusetts, suspended the respondent from the practice of law in Massachusetts for 2 months. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) filed a Notice of Intent to Discipline on August 8, 2016.<sup>1</sup>

The respondent was required to file a timely answer to the allegations contained in the Notice of Intent to Discipline but has failed to do so. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105. The respondent's failure to file a response within the time period prescribed in the Notice constitutes an admission of the allegations therein, and the respondent is now precluded from requesting a hearing on the matter. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105.

The Notice of Intent to Discipline proposes that the respondent be suspended from practicing before the Board and the Immigration Courts for 2 months. The DHS asks the Board to extend that discipline to practice before that agency as well. Because the respondent has failed to file an answer, the regulations direct the Board to adopt the proposed sanction contained in the Notice, unless there are considerations that compel us to digress from that proposal. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105. The proposed sanction is appropriate in light of the respondent's suspension in Massachusetts.

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<sup>1</sup> The Disciplinary Counsel for EOIR also petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4). That petition is now moot.

ORDER: The Board hereby suspends the respondent from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS for 2 months. The suspension will commence 15 days after the date of this order. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105(d)(2).

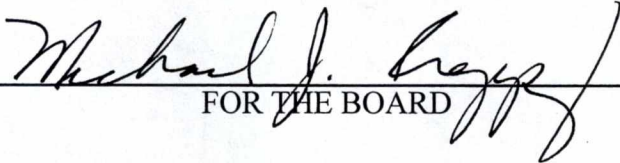
FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent is instructed to notify the Board of any further disciplinary action against him.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent may petition this Board for reinstatement to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS under 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107.

FURTHER ORDER: The contents of the order shall be made available to the public, including at the Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.

  
FOR THE BOARD