

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**SUPREME COURT**

**ORDER**

**LD-2007-0006, In the Matter of Michael B. Sosnowski**

On May 24, 2007, the Attorney Discipline Office (ADO) filed a certified copy of the judgment of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire in United States of America v. Michael B. Sosnowski. The judgment shows that the respondent, Michael B. Sosnowski, pleaded guilty and was found guilty of the crime of Possession of Child Pornography in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252A(a)(5)(B). The court issued an order requiring the respondent to show cause why he should not be suspended from the practice of law in New Hampshire pending final disposition of a disciplinary proceeding to be commenced by the ADO. The respondent filed no response to the order, and on July 12, 2007, he was suspended pending final disposition of the disciplinary proceeding to be instituted by the ADO.

On August 14, 2007, the ADO's disciplinary counsel and counsel for the respondent filed a stipulation and consent to disbarment. The stipulation and consent was signed by the respondent. In the stipulation, the respondent conceded that he pleaded guilty to one count of possession of child pornography in United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, and stated that as a result of his conviction, he consented to disbarment. He expressly waived his right to a hearing before the Professional Conduct Committee and the Supreme Court and waived all of his rights, both procedural and substantive, associated with the imposition of a sanction.

In light of the respondent's stipulation, and considering the seriousness of the respondent's offense, the court concludes that disbarment is justified in this case.

THEREFORE, Michael B. Sosnowski is disbarred from the practice of law in New Hampshire. He is ordered to notify the attorney discipline authority of any other jurisdictions in which he is licensed to practice law of the issuance of the court's order. He is hereby assessed all expenses incurred by the Attorney Discipline Office in connection with the investigation and prosecution of this matter.

Broderick, C.J., and Dalianis, Galway and Hicks, JJ., concurred.

DATE: September 20, 2007

ATTEST:

  
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