

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUPREME COURT

O R D E R

LD-2016-0015, In the Matter of Tanner Z. Nolin, Esquire

On August 9, 2016, the Professional Conduct Committee (PCC) filed a recommendation that Attorney Tanner Z. Nolin be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three years, with conditions, and ordered to pay the costs associated with the investigation and enforcement of the disciplinary matter. The PCC's recommendation approved a stipulation executed by Attorney Nolin and the Attorney Discipline Office's disciplinary counsel in which Attorney Nolin agreed that that he had violated several Rules of Professional Conduct and further agreed that the appropriate sanction for these violations was a three-year suspension with conditions. In accordance with Supreme Court Rule 37(16), a copy of the PCC's recommendation was served upon Attorney Nolin, along with an order requiring him and disciplinary counsel to identify any legal or factual issues that they wished the court to review. Neither Attorney Nolin nor disciplinary counsel identified any issues for review.

Based on the parties' stipulation, the PCC found that Attorney Nolin violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct:

1. Rule 1.1 and 1.3, requiring a lawyer to represent clients competently and with diligence;
2. Rule 1.4, requiring a lawyer to keep clients reasonably informed about the status of their matters;
3. Rule 1.15 and Supreme Court Rule 50, requiring a lawyer to safeguard client property;
4. Rule 8.4(c), making it misconduct to engage in conduct involving deceit; and
5. Rule 8.4(a), making it misconduct to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct.

After reviewing the PCC's recommendation, and the record of the PCC proceedings, the court accepts the PCC's recommendation that Attorney Nolin should be suspended from the practice of law in New Hampshire for a period of three years on the condition that he meet certain requirements during this

period. The conditions are set forth in the parties' stipulation and in a Monitoring Agreement that Attorney Nolin entered into with the Lawyer Assistance Program. Accordingly, the court orders as follows:

- (1) Attorney Tanner Z. Nolin is suspended from the practice of law in New Hampshire for a period of three years, on the condition that he comply with the conditions set forth in the parties' stipulation and the LAP Monitoring Agreement during the three-year period. The suspension shall take effect August 8, 2016, nunc pro tunc.
- (2) Attorney Nolin is ordered to reimburse the Attorney Discipline Office for all costs and expenses incurred by the attorney discipline system in the investigation and prosecution of this matter.
- (3) Attorney Nolin is ordered to comply with the provisions of Supreme Court Rule 37(13).
- (4) Within 30 days of this order, Attorney Nolin shall file with the court an affidavit showing that he has fully complied with the requirements of Rule 37(13). A copy of the affidavit shall be sent to the Attorney Discipline Office.

Dalianis, C.J., and Hicks, Conboy, and Lynn, JJ., concurred.

DATE: October 21, 2016

ATTEST:



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