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CAUSE NO. 2017-81785

COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE,
Petitioner
v.
CARLOS A RYERSON,
[SBOT #201702096]
Respondent

§ IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
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§ HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS
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§ 11th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGREED JUDGMENT OF PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Parties and Appearance

On this day, came to be heard the above styled and numbered cause. Petitioner, the Commission for Lawyer Discipline, through its attorney of record, John S. Brannon, and Respondent, Carlos A. Ryerson, Texas Bar Number 17492500, through his attorney of record, Murray J. Fogler, announced that an agreement has been reached in the above-styled matter.

Jurisdiction and Venue

On the 1st day of December, 2017, pursuant to Rule 3.02 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, the Supreme Court of Texas appointed the Honorable Laura Salinas to preside over this disciplinary action. The Court finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this action, and that venue is proper. Both Parties waived their rights to trial by jury.

Professional Misconduct

The Court, having considered the pleadings and the agreement of the parties, finds that Respondent has committed Professional Misconduct as defined by Rule 1.06(W) of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure and in violation of 1.14(a) ["misuse of IOLTA account for non-client

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RECORDER'S MEMORANDUM
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Sanction

It is AGREED and ORDERED that a Public Reprimand shall be imposed against Respondent in accordance with the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

Attorney’s Fees

It is further AGREED and ORDERED Respondent shall pay all reasonable and necessary attorney’s fees to the State Bar of Texas in the amount of \$250.00. Since Respondent has already paid this amount, no further provisions regarding attorney’s fees are necessary in this judgment.

Additional CLE

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in addition to complying with the Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) requirements of the State Bar of Texas, Respondent shall complete six (6) additional hours of continuing legal education in the area of trust accounts. These additional hours of CLE are to be completed between August 1, 2019 and November 1, 2019. Within ten (10) days of the completion of these additional CLE hours, Respondent shall verify completion of the course to the State Bar of Texas, via USPS: Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487; or via Delivery: Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, 1414 Colorado St., Suite 200, Austin, TX 78701.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall make contact with the Chief Disciplinary Counsel’s Office’s Compliance Monitor at 877-953-5535, ext. 1334, and Special Programs Coordinator at 877-953-5535, ext. 1323, not later than seven (7) days after receipt of a copy of this judgment to coordinate Respondent’s compliance.

Publication

This reprimand shall be made a matter of record and appropriately published in accordance with the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

Other Relief


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall forward a certified copy of the current *Disciplinary Petition* on file in this case, along with a copy of this *Judgment* to the following:

(1) CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS, Supreme Court Building, Austin, Texas 78711; (2) The STATE BAR OF TEXAS, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, P. O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711; and (3) Respondent, by and through his attorney of record, Murray J. Fogler, 909 Fannin Street, Suite 1640, Houston, Texas 77010.

IT IS ORDERED that all costs of court incurred in the prosecution of this lawsuit shall be taxed against Respondent, for which the Clerk may have execution if they are not timely paid.

All requested relief not expressly granted herein is expressly DENIED.

SIGNED this 22nd day of July, 2019.


HONORABLE LAURA SALINAS,
Specially Assigned Judge

AGREED AS TO BOTH FORM AND SUBSTANCE:



CARLOS A. RYERSON
State Bar No. 17492500
Respondent



JOHN S. BRANNON
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel
State Bar No. 02895500
Counsel for Petitioner



MURRAY J. FOGLER
State Bar No. 07207300
Counsel for Respondent



I, Marilyn Burgess, District Clerk of Harris County, Texas certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original record filed and or recorded in my office, electronically or hard copy, as it appears on this date.

Witness my official hand and seal of office this August 2, 2019

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Marilyn Burgess, DISTRICT CLERK
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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