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The Supreme Court of Ohio

Disciplinary Counsel,
Relator,
v.
Joseph Harold Smith,
Respondent.

Case No. 2010-1888

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

The Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline of the Supreme Court of Ohio has filed a final report in the office of the clerk of this court. This final report recommended that pursuant to Rule V(6)(B)(2) of the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio the respondent, Joseph Harold Smith, Attorney Registration Number 0041412, be indefinitely suspended from the practice of law with credit for time served under his interim suspension and under the conditions of the panel. Additionally, the board recommended that respondent not be permitted to petition for reinstatement to the practice of law until he has completed his supervised release. The board further recommends that the costs of these proceedings be taxed to the respondent in any disciplinary order entered, so that execution may issue. Upon consideration thereof,

It is ordered by the court that the respondent show cause why the recommendation of the board should not be confirmed by the court and the disciplinary order so entered.

It is further ordered that any objections to the findings of fact and recommendation of the board, together with a brief in support thereof, shall be due on or before 20 days from the date of this order. It is further ordered that an answer brief may be filed on or before 15 days after any brief in support of objections has been filed.

After a hearing on the objections or if no objections are filed within the prescribed time, the court shall enter such order as it may find proper which may be the discipline recommended by the board or which may be more severe or less severe than said recommendation.

It is further ordered, sua sponte, that all documents filed with this court in this case shall meet the filing requirements set forth in the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, including requirements as to form, number, and timeliness of filings and further that unless clearly inapplicable, the Rules of Practice shall apply to these proceedings. All documents are subject to Rules 44 through 47 of the Rules of Superintendence of Ohio which govern access to court records.

It is further ordered, sua sponte, that service shall be deemed made on respondent by sending this order, and all other orders in this case, to respondent's last known address.

ERIC BROWN
Chief Justice