

# The Supreme Court of Ohio

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Case No. 2014-0544

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Disciplinary Counsel,  
Relator,  
v.  
Stephen Edwin Weithman,  
Respondent.

ON CERTIFIED REPORT BY THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON  
GRIEVANCES AND DISCIPLINE OF  
THE SUPREME COURT

CLERK OF COURT  
SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

## ORDER

The Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline<sup>1</sup> filed its final report in this court on April 7, 2014, recommending that, pursuant to former Gov.Bar R. V(6)(B)(3), respondent, Stephen Edwin Weithman, be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year with the final six months stayed on conditions. No objections to said final report were filed, and this cause was considered by the court.

On consideration thereof, it is ordered and adjudged by this court that pursuant to Gov.Bar R. V(12)(A)(3) and consistent with the opinion rendered herein, respondent, Stephen Edwin Weithman, Attorney Registration No. 0027094, last known business address in Delaware, Ohio, is suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years, with the entire suspension stayed on the conditions that respondent commit no further misconduct and that respondent remain in full compliance with his January 9, 2014 Ohio Lawyers Assistance Program contract. It is further ordered that if respondent fails to comply with these conditions, the stay will be revoked and respondent will serve the full two-year suspension.

It is further ordered that respondent be taxed the costs of these proceedings in the amount of \$1,617.65, which costs shall be payable to this court by cashier's check or money order on or before 90 days from the date of this order. It is further ordered that if these costs are not paid in full on or before 90 days from the date of this order, interest at the rate of 10% per annum shall accrue as of 90 days from the date of this order and the matter may be referred to the Attorney General for collection. It is further ordered that respondent is liable for all collection costs pursuant to R.C. §131.02 if the debt is certified to the Attorney General for collection. It is further ordered that if costs are not paid in full on or before 90 days from the date of this order, respondent may be held in contempt and suspended until costs and all accrued interest are paid in full.

It is further ordered by the court that within 90 days of the date of this order, respondent shall reimburse any amounts that have been awarded against respondent by the Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VIII(7)(F). It is further ordered by the court that if after the date of this order the Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection awards any amount against respondent pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VIII(7)(F), respondent shall reimburse that amount to the Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection within 90 days of the notice of such award.

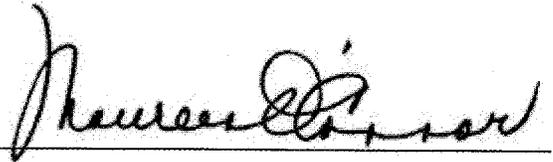
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<sup>1</sup> Effective January 1, 2015, the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline has been renamed the Board of Professional Conduct. See Gov.Bar R.V(1)(A), 140 Ohio St.3d CII.

It is further ordered that respondent shall keep the clerk and disciplinary counsel advised of any change of address where respondent may receive communications.

It is further ordered 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.

It is further ordered that the clerk of this court issue certified copies of this order as provided for in Gov.Bar R. V(17)(D)(1) and that publication be made as provided for in Gov.Bar R. V(17)(D)(2).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maureen O'Connor", written over a horizontal line.

Maureen O'Connor  
Chief Justice