

In The Supreme Court of Ohio

Columbus Bar Association,
Relator,
v.
Robert E. Shea,
Respondent.

Case No. 2007-1580

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION
TO PAY COURT COSTS AND
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

On January 30, 2008 the Supreme Court ordered Respondent to pay court costs in the amount of \$2,421.96 on or before 90 days from January 30, 2008. Respondent is currently unable to pay this amount, however, respondent only needs thirty (30) days from the date of this filing to pay the \$2,421.96. A memorandum in support is attached.

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Since the conclusion of the above-captioned disciplinary case the respondent's law firm, Masello & Shea LLC has dissolved and respondent has gone through extremely difficult financial hardship. The disciplinary case costs Masello & Shea LLC over \$5000 and cost respondent over \$12,000 in attorney fees and miscellaneous costs. Respondent is not by any means a wealthy attorney. Respondent does a great deal of pro bono work and bills the attorney general's victims of crime fund for 99% of his cases. Many of these bills are not paid until 120 days after submission, especially the past 6 to 12 months.

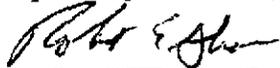
After the dissolution of Masello & Shea LLC, the respondent went without a paycheck for months because a new solo LLC had to be formed. Additionally, respondent's fiancé, who is a real estate agent, got badly hurt by the declining real estate

market and did not generate income for months. In addition, the parties were married in late April 2008.

Despite this, the respondent is receiving a \$2500 check from the federal government for overpaying taxes in 2007. Respondent believed that this check would have arrived by April 30, 2008, however, it has yet to arrive. When it arrives it will be used to pay these court costs. If it does *not* arrive within 30 days then respondent will pay court costs with money ordinarily used for mortgage payments, business expenses, and food.

Respondent's reputation has already been greatly damaged, friendships have been lost, firms dissolved, and all of his savings have diminished leaving him with nothing but massive debt. Wherefore, respondent respectfully requests that he be given thirty more days from the date of this filing to pay the \$2,421.96 in court costs.

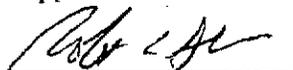
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing motion and memorandum in support was sent via fax to 614.236.1569, Jason Dolin, Esq., this 12th day of May 2008.



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