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Edward G. Rinderknecht  
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Re: *Cincinnati Bar Association v. Edward G. Rinderknecht*, Case No.  
1996-1993

Dear Mr. Rinderknecht:

On June 18, 1997, the Supreme Court of Ohio indefinitely suspended you from the practice of law. On July 28, 2011, you filed a petition for reinstatement to the practice of law. The Supreme Court of Ohio has informed the clerk's office that it will not consider a petition for reinstatement until the attorney has complied with the court's orders and Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.

First, the court's suspension order required you to comply with the CLE requirements for suspended attorneys as set forth in Gov.Bar R. X(3)(G). That rule required you to complete one credit hour of continuing legal education for each month, or portion of a month, of suspension. As part of those hours, you were required to complete one credit hour related to professional conduct for each six months, or portion of six months, of the suspension. Because you were suspended on June 18, 1997, when you filed your petition for reinstatement on July 28, 2011, you needed to have completed a total of 170 hours of CLE, including 30 hours for instruction in professional conduct.

The attached letter and CLE transcript from the Office of Attorney Services indicates that since June 18, 1997, you have reported 172.25 CLE hours of which 27.50 hours were awarded for instruction in professional conduct.

If you believe the information provided by the Office of Attorney Services is inaccurate, please contact that office to resolve the matter. You may file additional documentation to support your compliance with this portion of the court's order. Note that all documents filed with the court in this case must meet the filing requirements set forth in the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio.

Second, in its June 18, 1997 suspension order the court further ordered you to file an affidavit of compliance with the court within 30 days from the date of the order. You failed to file an affidavit of compliance. The court will not consider your petition for reinstatement until you have filed an affidavit of compliance as required by the court's order of suspension. For your convenience, a copy of that order is enclosed.

Please be advised that Rule 14.1(D) of the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio prohibits the clerk from filing documents after a filing deadline imposed by court order. If you immediately attempt to file your affidavit, it will be rejected as untimely. In order for you to file your affidavit of compliance, you must wait for the court to put on a show cause order. You can then file your affidavit of compliance in response to the show cause order.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (614)387-9541.

Sincerely,



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Case Management Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Jay Milano  
Rachel May Weisner