

BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Office of Disciplinary Counsel, :
Relator, :
v. : **Case Number: 2008-2098**
John Stanley Wolanin :
Respondent. :

**AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE
AND
PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT**

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Now comes Petitioner, **JOHN STANLEY WOLANIN**, by and through counsel, who hereby petitions this honorable Court for reinstatement to the practice of law pursuant to Gov. Bar R.V(10)(B). Petitioner hereby swears and affirms as follows:

1. Petitioner received an indefinite suspension from the practice of law over two years ago on April 1, 2009; (**Exhibit A** *Disciplinary Counsel v. Wolanin*, 121 Ohio St.3d 390, 2009-Ohio-1393)

2. Petitioner has not previously petitioned this Court for Reinstatement;¹

3. Pursuant to Gov. Bar R. V, Section 10(B)(3) Petitioner resides 4201 E. Raven Road Phoenix, AZ 85044. Petitioner's last law office address in Ohio was in Cleveland in 2005. Accordingly, Petitioner has served copies this Petition on the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, and the Ohio State Bar Association through their respective counsel as indicated on the Certificate of Service below;

4. Petitioner affirms that there are no formal disciplinary proceedings pending against him;

5. Petitioner affirms that he has completed CLE attendance as required by Gov. Bar R. V, Section 10(B)(4) and Gov. Bar R. X, Section 3(G). (**Exhibit D**);

6. All costs of the prior proceeding have been paid; (**Exhibit E**)

7. Petitioner previously attempted to file Respondent's Reply to Order to Show Cause And Affidavit of Compliance which was received by the Supreme Court Clerk on May 2, 2011; (**Exhibit F**)

8. On June 16, 2011 the Supreme Court found Petitioner in contempt for failing to file his Affidavit of Compliance before May 1, 2011; (**Exhibit G**)

9. In that Petitioner was not actively practicing at the time of the Suspension Order,

¹ Pursuant to instructions Petitioner received from Tammy White, Attorney Services Coordinator, in a February 3, 2011 letter, Petitioner is simultaneously submitting an Application for Reinstatement for an Attorney Registration suspension. (**Exhibit B** Tammy White February 3, 2011 Correspondence) Petitioner has, for the sake of convenience, included a copy of his Application for Reinstatement from the Court's December 3, 2007 Order of Suspension, which is getting filed separately. (**Exhibit C**)

there were no clients to notify of Petitioner's suspension;

10. All paper and property was delivered to clients;

11. All unearned fees or expenses have been refunded;

12. In that Petitioner was not actively practicing at the time of the Suspension Order,

there were no opposing counsel or adverse parties to notify of Petitioner's suspension;

13. In that Petitioner was not actively practicing at the time of the Suspension Order,

there were no notices to send by certified mail;

14. The foregoing paragraphs 9 through 13 are intended to address the requirements of Petitioner's Affidavit of Compliance;

15. Petitioner has maintained records of the various steps taken pursuant to the Suspension Order;

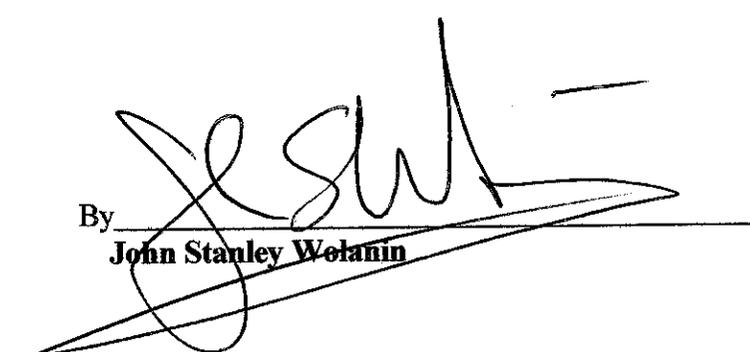
16. Petitioner has complied with the Supreme Court's Order of Suspension;

17. Petitioner will present clear and convincing evidence of his activities since the time of his suspension, including character testimony, which evidence will demonstrate his rehabilitation and restoration to those character traits necessary for his reinstatement to the practice of law. A summary of said evidence is attached as **Exhibit H**.

18. Submitted herewith is Petitioner's check in the amount of \$500.00 as a deposit against costs; and,

19. Petitioner has made appropriate restitution to any persons who were harmed by his misconduct.

Further, Petitioner saith naught.

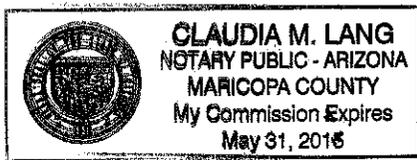
By 
John Stanley Wolanin

STATE OF ARIZONA,
COUNTY OF Maricopa:

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on this 8th day of Sept., 2012, before me, a Notary

Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the above named, **John Stanley Wolanin**, who was sworn before me and did subscribe his name to this document in my presence, and did acknowledge the signing of this document to be his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, this date and year first aforesaid.



By Claudia M. Lang
Notary Public
Commission Expires May 31, 2015

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests this honorable Court to reinstate him to the practice of law.

Respectfully submitted,

By [Signature]
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Attorney for Respondent,
John Stanley Wolanin

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a by depositing same in the U.S. mail, postage pre-paid, this 20th day of September 2012, a copy of the foregoing has been served upon:

Heather M. Zirke, Esq.
Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
1301 East 9th Street, Second Level
Cleveland, OH 44114-1253

and,

Jonathan E. Coughlan, Esq.
Disciplinary Counsel
250 Civic Center Drive, Ste. 325
Columbus, Ohio 43215-7411

and,

Eugene Philip Whetzel, Esq.
General Counsel
Ohio State Bar Association
P. O. Box 16562
Columbus, OH 43216-6562

By 
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[Cite as *Disciplinary Counsel v. Wolanin*, 121 Ohio St.3d 390, 2009-Ohio-1393.]

DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL v. WOLANIN.
[Cite as *Disciplinary Counsel v. Wolanin*,
121 Ohio St.3d 390, 2009-Ohio-1393.]

Attorney misconduct, including misappropriating client funds and failing to cooperate in the investigation of misconduct — Indefinite suspension.

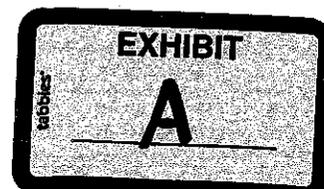
(No. 2008-2098 — Submitted December 17, 2008 — Decided April 1, 2009.)

ON CERTIFIED REPORT by the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline of the Supreme Court, No. 07-031.

Per Curiam.

{¶ 1} Respondent, John Stanley Wolanin of Phoenix, Arizona, Attorney Registration No. 0051970, was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1991. The Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline recommends that we indefinitely suspend respondent's license to practice law, based on findings that he misappropriated client funds and failed to respond appropriately during the investigation of this misconduct. We agree that respondent committed professional misconduct as found by the board and that an indefinite suspension is warranted.

{¶ 2} Relator, Disciplinary Counsel, charged respondent in a three-count complaint with violations of the Disciplinary Rules of the Code of Professional Responsibility and Gov.Bar R. V(4)(G) (requiring that lawyers cooperate in disciplinary investigations). A panel of the board conducted a hearing in the case, and although respondent participated intermittently in prehearing proceedings and stipulated to the facts and misconduct alleged against him, he did not appear at the hearing. The panel made findings of fact and conclusions of law and recommended that respondent be permanently disbarred. The board adopted the



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panel's findings of misconduct, but recommended an indefinite suspension from the practice of law.

{¶ 3} Neither party has filed objections to the board's certified report.

Misconduct

Count I

{¶ 4} Daniel Dechert retained respondent to represent him in a personal-injury lawsuit. Respondent filed suit and negotiated a settlement in September 2005. The settlement provided for Dechert to receive \$1,649.62 and for payment of his medical bills.

{¶ 5} Respondent received the \$1,649.62 check, made payable to him and Dechert, in January 2006. But rather than remit the proceeds as required, respondent either cashed the check or deposited it into an unknown bank account. Dechert tried unsuccessfully to contact respondent from March through May 2006, and in May, he filed a grievance against respondent, who finally mailed Dechert a check for \$1,649.62 on June 19, 2006. Bank records of respondent's client trust account show that these funds were not on deposit until the day the check was written.

{¶ 6} In failing to pay settlement proceeds belonging to Dechert and failing to hold those funds in trust, respondent violated DR 1-102(A)(4) (prohibiting conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation), 1-102(A)(5) (prohibiting conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice), 1-102(A)(6) (prohibiting conduct that adversely reflects on the lawyer's fitness to practice law), 9-102(B)(1) (requiring notification to the client of the lawyer's receipt of client funds and other property), 9-102(B)(3) (requiring a lawyer to maintain complete records of all client funds in his possession and to render appropriate accounts regarding those funds to his clients), and 9-102(B)(4) (requiring prompt delivery of client funds).

Count II

{¶ 7} From September 2006 through January 2007, relator sent respondent numerous requests for documentation concerning respondent's use of his trust account. Respondent failed to provide any documentation showing that he had held Dechert's funds in compliance with the Disciplinary Rules. Respondent thereby violated DR 1-102(A)(5) and (A)(6) and Gov.Bar R. V(4)(G).

Count III

{¶ 8} In May 2003, respondent accepted the personal-injury case of William and Betty Ann Clark on a contingent-fee basis. The parties settled the case in September 2005 for \$6,500. Respondent received the settlement check in October 2005 and deposited it into his trust account.

{¶ 9} Later in October, respondent paid himself the \$2,400 contingent fee. He then forwarded \$2,000 of the settlement funds to the Clarks, promising to pay the rest of their share by the end of the year, after the expert-witness fee was determined. Respondent failed to pay the Clarks in full or provide any accounting of their funds for the next year, and bank records show that he did not maintain the funds in his client trust account. On November 20, 2006, respondent deposited \$1,700 into his trust account, bringing the balance to \$1,708.04. The next day, he mailed the Clarks a check for \$1,700.¹

{¶ 10} In failing to promptly pay settlement funds belonging to the Clarks and failing to hold those funds in trust, respondent violated DR 1-102(A)(4), 1-102(A)(6), 9-102(B)(3), and 9-102(B)(4).

Sanction

{¶ 11} In making a final determination as to the appropriate sanction in disciplinary cases, we weigh evidence of the aggravating and mitigating factors listed in Section 10 of the Rules and Regulations Governing Procedure on

1. The expert-witness fee was apparently \$400.

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Complaints and Hearings Before the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline (“BCGD Proc.Reg.”). *Disciplinary Counsel v. Broeren*, 115 Ohio St.3d 473, 2007-Ohio-5251, 875 N.E.2d 935, ¶ 21. Because each disciplinary case is unique, we are not limited to the factors specified in the rule but may take into account “all relevant factors” in determining what sanction to impose. BCGD Proc.Reg. 10(B).

{¶ 12} The parties stipulated and the board found that respondent has no disciplinary record, a mitigating factor under BCGD Proc.Reg. 10(B)(2)(a). The parties also stipulated that respondent suffered from depression, adjustment disorder, and alcohol abuse; however, the board attributed no mitigating effect to this factor because respondent failed to satisfy BCGD Proc.Reg. 10(B)(2)(g)(iii), which required respondent to show that he had experienced “a sustained period of successful treatment.” Aggravating factors are that respondent had dishonest and selfish motives and that he engaged in a pattern of misconduct. See BCGD Proc.Reg. 10(B)(1)(b) and (c).

{¶ 13} An attorney who engages in conduct that violates DR 1-102(A)(4) will ordinarily be suspended from the practice of law. *Disciplinary Counsel v. Beeler*, 105 Ohio St.3d 188, 2005-Ohio-1143, 824 N.E.2d 78, ¶ 44; *Disciplinary Counsel v. Fowerbaugh* (1995), 74 Ohio St.3d 187, 190, 658 N.E.2d 237. We find this case similar to *Cuyahoga Cty. Bar Assn. v. Maybaum*, 112 Ohio St.3d 93, 2006-Ohio-6507, 858 N.E.2d 359, in which we indefinitely suspended the license of an attorney who had misappropriated client funds and failed to keep proper accounts. *Id.* at ¶ 7. In that case, the attorney also suffered from mental illness but was unable to show a sustained period of successful treatment. *Id.* at ¶ 11-13. Although Maybaum, unlike respondent, had a prior disciplinary record, Maybaum had cooperated during the disciplinary proceedings. *Id.* at ¶ 10 and 24.

{¶ 14} For his part, respondent has declined to fully cooperate in the disciplinary process, with no apologies. In fact, he booked a three-month trip to

Poland to begin on the date of his scheduled disciplinary hearing, notifying the panel chair just three days before his flight. The hearing was rescheduled for his convenience, but respondent notified relator less than two days beforehand that he would not be attending that hearing, either, “[i]n light of the stipulations submitted.”

{¶ 15} Because respondent has shown little mitigation and a dismissive attitude toward the disciplinary process, we see no reason to depart from the standard sanction for such serious violations of the Disciplinary Rules. Respondent is hereby indefinitely suspended from the practice of law in Ohio. Costs are taxed to respondent.

Judgment accordingly.

MOYER, C.J., and PFEIFER, LUNDBERG STRATTON, O’CONNOR,
O’DONNELL, LANZINGER, and CUPP, JJ., concur.

Jonathan E. Coughlan, Disciplinary Counsel, and Robert R. Berger,
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel, for relator.

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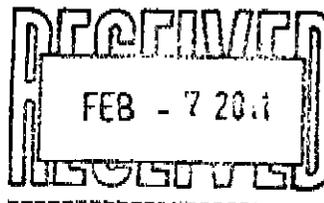
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February 3, 2011

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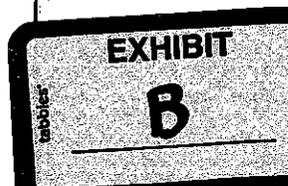
Dear Mr. Wolanin:

This is in response to your letter dated January 14, 2011, in which you requested information on your continuing legal education requirements in order to apply for reinstatement to the practice of law.

In accordance with the Supreme Court's order of suspension issued on April 1, 2009, you are required to complete one hour of continuing legal education for every month of your suspension, or portion of a month, and one hour of professional conduct for every six months of your suspension, or portion of six months.

The records indicate a total of 24 hours, including 4 hours of professional conduct have accrued through April 1, 2011. The records further indicate you have reported completing a total of 12 general hours since the date of your suspension (see enclosed transcript). A minimum of 12 hours, including 4 hours of professional conduct must be completed by April 1, 2011, to comply with the continuing legal education requirements of the Supreme Court's order of suspension. Please note, the one hour continuing legal education requirement per month and one hour every six months will continue to accrue until you have been reinstated to the practice of law.

The Attorney Registration records further indicate on December 3, 2007, you were attorney registration suspended for failing to register for the 2007/2009 attorney registration biennium. To apply for attorney registration reinstatement you will need to submit an application for reinstatement, and certificates of registration for the 2007/2009 attorney registration biennium and the 2009/2011 attorney registration biennium. The application for reinstatement and certificates of registration can be found on our website at <http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/AttySvc/AttyReg/default.asp>



The application for reinstatement and certificates of registration should not be submitted to the Office of Attorney Services until you are ready to apply for reinstatement with the Supreme Court's disciplinary suspension.

If you have any questions regarding your continuing legal education or attorney registration requirements, please contact the Office at Attorney Services at 614.387.9325. For inquiries regarding your requirements and reinstatement procedures for the disciplinary suspension issued on April 1, 2009, please contact ~~Sandra Hutch Grosko~~ at the Supreme Court Clerk's Office at 614.387.9530.

7/17/12 * Melissa Ferguson
(614) 387-9550

Sincerely,

Tammy White
Tammy White
Attorney Services Coordinator

Enclosure

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September 20, 2012

Tammy White
Attorney Services Manager
Supreme Court of Ohio
65 South Front Street, 5th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431

Re: John Stanly Wolanin Application for Reinstatement
Atty. Reg. # 0051970

Dear Ms. White:

Please find enclosed with this letter: 1) Mr. Wolanin's completed Application for Reinstatement; 2) Certificates of Registration for the 2007-2009, 2009-2011, and 2011-2013 bienniums; and, 3) payment of \$300.00 for a reinstatement fee.

As Mr. Wolanin is currently still out on a disciplinary suspension under Case Number: 2008-2098 he will be registering for inactive status until such time that he is reinstated to practice law in Ohio.

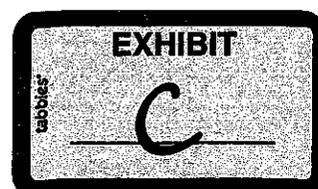
Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please call.

Very truly yours,



Charles J. Kettlewell

Enclosures:
Cc: John Wolanin



BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY SERVICES

In the Matter of the Reinstatement of
JOHN STANLEY WOLANEN
To the Practice of Law

APPLICATION FOR
REINSTATEMENT
(Gov. Bar R. VI, Sec. 5)

I hereby submit an Application for Reinstatement to the Practice of Law in accordance with Gov. Bar R. VI, Sec. 5(D). In conformity with Gov. Bar R. VI and the order of suspension entered against me, I am submitting each of the following (check each item being submitted):

- Completed Certificate(s) of Registration for attorney registration period(s) for which I was not registered.
- All applicable registration fees by check or money order, made payable to "The Supreme Court of Ohio." No cash or credit card payments accepted.
- Reinstatement fee by check or money order, made payable to "The Supreme Court of Ohio." No cash or credit card payments accepted. (Reinstatement fee for completed applications filed before Sept. 1, 2007, is \$200. Reinstatement fee for completed applications filed on or after Sept. 1, 2007, is \$300.)

I understand that I will not be reinstated to the practice of law until such time as I submit all required documents and payments and the Office of Attorney Services enters my reinstatement on the attorney registration records. I further understand that reinstatement to the practice of law under Gov. Bar R. VI shall not affect any disciplinary action or other sanctions that may have been entered against me by the Supreme Court under either the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar or the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Judiciary.

I certify that the information I am providing on this application is true and accurate. I further certify that I have complied with the order of suspension entered against me on DECEMBER 3, 2007.
(date of suspension order)

JOHN STANLEY WOLANEN
Name of Respondent

[Signature]
Signature of Respondent

0051970
Attorney Registration Number

SEPTEMBER 7, 2012
Date

Return to: Supreme Court of Ohio, Office of Attorney Services, 65 S. Front St., 5th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215

**Instructions for Reinstatement to the Practice of Law from
Summary Suspension for Failure to File Certificate of Registration
2007/2009 Attorney Registration Biennium**

Enclosed is an order suspending you from the practice of law for failure to register for the 2007/2009 attorney registration biennium. The suspension is effective the date of the order.

To be reinstated to the practice of law, you must do all the following:

- Complete the 2007/2009 Certificate of Registration (available online at www.sconet.state.oh.us/Atty_Reg/20072009_form.pdf or by contacting the Office of Attorney Services at 614/387-9320 or attyreg@sconet.state.oh.us).
- If you are registering for active or corporate status for the 2007/2009 biennium, pay the registration fee of \$350 by check or money order, made payable to "The Supreme Court of Ohio." Cash or credit card payments are not accepted.
- Pay the reinstatement fee by check or money order, made payable to "The Supreme Court of Ohio." Cash or credit card payments are not accepted. (Reinstatement fee for completed applications filed before Sept. 1, 2007, is \$200. Reinstatement fee for completed applications filed on or after Sept. 1, 2007, is \$300.)
- Register for any missing prior biennia and pay all applicable registration fees for the missing biennia. If you need to register for prior biennia, contact the Office of Attorney Services for the appropriate forms. (Certificates of Registration for the 2001/2003, 2003/2005, and 2005/2007 biennia are available online at www.sconet.state.oh.us/Atty_Reg.)
- Complete the Application for Reinstatement (form enclosed).
- Return the certificate(s) of registration, reinstatement fee, all applicable registration fees, and Application for Reinstatement to *(be sure to keep a copy for your records)*:

The Supreme Court of Ohio
Office of Attorney Services
65 South Front Street, 5th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Incomplete applications will be returned to you unprocessed. While you are under an attorney registration summary suspension, you may **not** access the Supreme Court's online attorney services site.

If you have any questions or need assistance completing the reinstatement process, contact the Office of Attorney Services at 614/387-9320 or by email at attyreg@sconet.state.oh.us.

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION 2011-2013 BIENNIUM

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THIS FORM

REGISTRATION NUMBER	0051970	BUSINESS OR FIRM NAME	N/A
NAME	JOHN S. WOLANIN	TITLE OR POSITION	N/A
RESIDENCE ADDRESS	4201 E. RAVEN RD.	BUSINESS OR FIRM ADDRESS	N/A
CITY	PHOENIX	CITY	N/A
COUNTY	MARICOPA	COUNTY	N/A
STATE/COUNTRY	AZ	STATE/COUNTRY	N/A
ZIP	85044	ZIP	N/A
DATE ADMITTED TO OHIO BAR	5/20/1991	BUSINESS OR FIRM PHONE	N/A
DATE OF BIRTH	5/14/1964	BUSINESS OR FIRM FAX	N/A
GENDER	MALE		
E-MAIL (please type or print clearly) j.wolanin@cox.net			

INDICATE APPROPRIATE STATUS AND LATE FEE IF APPLICABLE

- Active (\$350 fee)
 Inactive (No fee)
 Corporate (Not applicable if admitted in Ohio; \$350 fee)
 \$50 late fee (See Instructions)
 \$300 reinstatement fee (See Instructions)

PLEASE CHECK EVERY RACE YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO BE

- American Indian or Alaska Native
 Black or African American
 White
 Asian
 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 ARE YOU HISPANIC/LATINO? Yes No

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I am providing on this form is true and accurate.

Make check or money order payable to THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

7/17/2012
DATE

Amount: _____

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IOLTA & IOTA Account Registration Form

CONFIRM/UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Registration Number: _____ Attorney Name: _____
 Business or Firm Name: _____

CONFIRM/UPDATE ACCOUNT INFORMATION or EXEMPTION STATUS (complete section A or B)

Section A: Account Registration

Account	Account Number:	Financial Institution:	Individual	Firm	IOLTA	IOTA
First Account	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Second Account	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Third Account	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sheet attached listing additional IOLTA and IOTA accounts

SECTION B: Exemption Selection

IOLTA
 I am exempt from the requirement to maintain and register an IOLTA account under RC § 4705.09 because (check one):

My employer or I do not handle funds owned by my client(s); I am on inactive status with the Supreme Court; I am retired or unemployed; I am a corporate or government attorney; OR
 I am primarily situated outside of Ohio and use my IOLTA account in _____ (state).

IOTA
 I am exempt from the requirement to maintain and register an IOTA under RC § 3953.231 account because:

I am NOT a licensed title insurance agent in Ohio.

QUESTIONS? Contact the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation at www.olaf.org or 614.752.8919.

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION 2007-2009 BIENNIIUM

Please complete all sections of this form.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 0051970	BUSINESS OR FIRM NAME N/A
NAME JOHN S. WOLANIN	TITLE OR POSITION N/A
RESIDENCE ADDRESS 4201 E. RAVEN RD.	BUSINESS OR FIRM ADDRESS N/A
CITY PHOENIX COUNTY MARICOPA	CITY N/A COUNTY N/A
STATE/COUNTRY AZ ZIP 85044	STATE/COUNTRY N/A ZIP N/A
DATE ADMITTED TO OHIO BAR 5/20/1991	BUSINESS OR FIRM PHONE N/A
DATE OF BIRTH 5/14/1964 MALE	BUSINESS OR FIRM FAX N/A
E-MAIL (please type or print clearly) j.wolanin@cox.net	

INDICATE APPROPRIATE STATUS AND LATE FEE IF APPLICABLE

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 Inactive (No fee)
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 \$50 late fee (See Instructions)
 \$50 reinstatement fee (See Instructions)

PLEASE CHECK EVERY RACE YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO BE

- American Indian or Alaska Native Asian
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 White
 ARE YOU HISPANIC/LATINO? Yes No

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I am providing on this form is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

DATE

Make check or money order payable to THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Amount: _____

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INTEREST ON LAWYERS' TRUST ACCOUNTS (IOLTA) AND INTEREST ON TRUST ACCOUNTS (IOTA) REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER: _____

NAME: _____

Please list below all escrow accounts with which you are associated, pursuant to Gov. Bar R. VI and Prof. Cond. Rule 1.15. Please list additional accounts on a separate sheet.

FIRST ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT HOLDER	TYPE
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> IOLTA
Account Number: _____ Financial Institution: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Firm	<input type="checkbox"/> IOTA
SECOND ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT HOLDER	TYPE
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> IOLTA
Account Number: _____ Financial Institution: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Firm	<input type="checkbox"/> IOTA
THIRD ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT HOLDER	TYPE
N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> IOLTA
Account Number: _____ Financial Institution: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Firm	<input type="checkbox"/> IOTA

I am exempt from the provisions of RC §§4705.09, 4705.10, and/or 3953.231 because (please check one):

1. My employer on my behalf and/or I do not receive, maintain, or disburse the funds of clients that I represent.
 2. I do not regularly practice in Ohio, and do not receive, maintain, or disburse the funds of clients who reside in the state of Ohio.

QUESTIONS?
Contact the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation.
Visit www.olaf.org or call 614.752.8919.

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NAME	JOHN S. WOLANIN	TITLE OR POSITION	N/A
RESIDENCE ADDRESS	4201 E. RAVEN RD.	BUSINESS OR FIRM ADDRESS	N/A
CITY	PHOENIX	COUNTY	MARICOPA
STATE/COUNTRY	AZ	ZIP	85044
DATE ADMITTED TO OHIO BAR	5/20/1991	BUSINESS OR FIRM PHONE	N/A
DATE OF BIRTH	5/14/1964	GENDER	MALE
E-MAIL (please type or print clearly)		BUSINESS OR FIRM FAX	N/A
		j.wolanin@cox.net	

INDICATE APPROPRIATE STATUS AND LATE FEE IF APPLICABLE

- Active (\$350 fee)
 Inactive (No fee)
 Corporate (Not applicable if admitted in Ohio; \$350 fee)
 \$50 late fee (See instructions)
 \$300 reinstatement fee (See instructions)

PLEASE CHECK EVERY RACE YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO BE

- American Indian or Alaska Native
 Black or African American
 White
 Asian
 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 ARE YOU HISPANIC/LATINO? Yes No

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I am providing on this form is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

DATE

7/17/12

Make check or money order payable to THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Amount: _____

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INTEREST ON LAWYERS' TRUST ACCOUNTS (IOLTA) AND INTEREST ON TRUST ACCOUNTS (IOTA) REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION NUMBER:

NAME:

REGISTER YOUR IOLTA/IOTA ACCOUNT (PURSUANT TO GOV. BAR R. VI AND PROF. COND. RULE 1.15).

FIRST ACCOUNT NAME	N/A	ACCOUNT HOLDER	TYPE
Account Number:	Financial Institution:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> IOLTA
		<input type="checkbox"/> Firm	<input type="checkbox"/> IOTA
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THIRD ACCOUNT NAME	N/A	ACCOUNT HOLDER	TYPE
Account Number:	Financial Institution:	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> IOLTA
		<input type="checkbox"/> Firm	<input type="checkbox"/> IOTA

I am exempt from the provisions of RC §§4705.09, 4705.10, and/or 3953.231 because (please check one):

1. My employer or I do not maintain an Ohio IOLTA/IOTA account because I do not receive funds belonging to a client.
 2. My employer or I do not maintain an Ohio IOLTA/IOTA account because I am primarily situated outside Ohio.

QUESTIONS?
 Contact the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation.
 Visit www.olaf.org or call 614.752.8919.

Charles J. Kettlewell

From: White, Tammy [Tammy.White@sc.ohio.gov]
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2012 1:09 PM
To: Charles J. Kettlewell
Subject: RE: John Wolanin
Attachments: John Wolanin transcript.pdf

Mr. Kettlewell,

Please find attached the CLE transcript you requested for Mr. Wolanin. The activities that Mr. Wolanin recently completed have been added to his record. The records indicate he has completed a total of 66 hours, including 9.75 hours of professional conduct since his suspension on April 1, 2009.

If you have any questions, please let me know.



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From: Charles J. Kettlewell [mailto:Charles@legaethics.pro]
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2012 11:22 AM
To: White, Tammy
Subject: RE: John Wolanin

Ms. White,

Has the CLE office received the necessary additional credits Mr. Wolanin took, and if so could you please email me an updated version of his CLE transcript showing that he is now current on all CLE requirements? I've attached fax copies that were sent to me, I believe Mr. Wolanin was mailing the originals to your office. Please advise and thank you.

Charles

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The Supreme Court of Ohio

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 65 SOUTH FRONT STREET, 5th FLOOR, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215-3431 (614) 387-9325

Activities from April 01, 2009 through September 07, 2012

John Stanley Wolanin

Attorney Registration Number: 0051970
 Date of Admission: 05/20/1991
 Current Registration Status: Not Registered
 Most Recent Status: Active

Activity Date	Activity Code	Activity Title	Location	Credit Type	Hours							Total			
					Gen	Eth	S.A.	Prof	JFair	NGen	NProf		NOff	NFund	
04/01/2009	199542	5th Annual Member Conference	Dallas,	Attendance	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.00
01/01/2012	236862	End of Year Ethics	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	1.00	0.50	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.50
01/01/2012	236804	Ethical Issues in Estate Planning	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
01/01/2012	236882	Ethical Responsibilities in Appellate Practice	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
01/01/2012	236794	Professionalism	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
01/01/2012	236788	Substance Abuse	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
01/02/2012	238921	Building Trial Skills: Southern California	Los An	Attendance	44.25	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46.25
02/06/2012	240965	Ethical Considerations in Fiduciary Relationships	Self-St	Self Study	0.00	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.25
					56.25	6.25	1.50	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	66.00

This Listing does not reflect your official CLE status. It merely lists the seminars and activities added to your record as taken during the above identified period.

**John S. Wolanin
4201 E. Raven Road
Phoenix, AZ 85044**

*Phone: 480-381-2982
Fax: 480-272-9161*

VIA FACSIMILIE TRANSMISSION: 1-866-476-8318

March 6, 2012

Attention:
Mr. Polley, Supervisor
Office of the Ohio Attorney General
Collections Enforcement Section
150 E. gay Street
Columbus, OH 43215-3191

Re: Supreme Court of Ohio Account No. 9782624
CRN: SCO-347
DRN: SCO-347

Dear Mr. Polley:

PAID

In connection with our telephone conversation on Monday, March 5, 2012 and the facts surrounding the collection notice delivery to prior expired addresses, please accept my offer to fully settle the account in the amount of \$1,779.14 and waive the \$64.20 interest charge and \$204.77 collection fee. I attach evidence of the correct address as registered with the Ohio Supreme Court from Ferburary of 2011.

Thank you for your kind consideration and the circumstances.

Sincerely,
FILE COPY
John S. Wolanin
(OH Reg. 0051970 Susp.)

jsw/attachment



THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

**Disciplinary Counsel,
Relator,**

Case No. 2008-2098

v.

**RESPONDENT'S REPLY
TO ORDER FOR SHOW CAUSE
AND AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE**

**John Stanley Wolanin
Respondent.**

COUNTY OF MARICOPA

SS: AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN S. WOLANIN

STATE OF ARIZONA

Now comes the Respondent, John Stanley Wolanin, and being duly sworn and cautioned according to law, states as follows:

- 1) On or about April 3, 2009, while attending a business conference in Dallas, Texas, Respondent received a voice mail message from the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Ohio informing him of the fact that Respondent was indefinitely suspended from the practice of law effective April 1, 2009;
- 2) Respondent had not actively practiced law since sometime during 2006 when at that time Respondent was merely winding down the Dechert and Clark matters, the subject of the disciplinary complaints;
- 3) Respondent officially closed his active law practice and office formerly located at 127 Public Square, Suite 4110, Cleveland, Ohio, 44113 on or about or during September, 2005 by sending letter notice to each and every client affected by the office closing together with arranging for smooth transfer of any existing client matters to colleague attorneys and by obtaining the explicit consent of all clients affected thereby;
- 4) Respondent relocated with his immediate family to Phoenix, Arizona and immediately began working as a senior commercial title insurance underwriter during the then real estate "boom";
- 5) While in this professional transition phase between September of 2005 and December of 2006, respondent received the proceeds of the settlements of the Dechert and Clark claims. State Farm Insurance Company failed to promptly remit payment on the Dechert claim as settled in September of 2005 until Respondent threatened to file a bad faith action against the insurance company. State Farm finally relented and released the settlement check in early 2006. To complicate things, Dechert moved to Seattle, Washington in late 2005 and again through a "perfect storm" of events in part as a result of Respondent's increased alcohol consumption causing disorderly accounting

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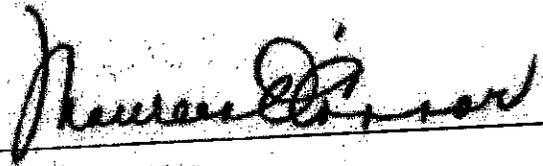
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Case No. 2008-2098

ORDER

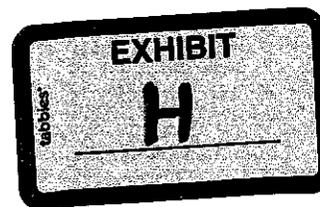
It is ordered by this court, sua sponte, that John Stanley Wolanin, Attorney Registration Number 0051970, last known business address in Phoenix, Arizona, is found in contempt for failure to comply with this court's order of April 1, 2009, to wit: failure to file an affidavit of compliance on or before May 1, 2009.


Maureen O'Connor
Chief Justice



Wolanin Summary of Character Evidence

- 1) Character letters from Steve Clock;
- 2) Character letter from Stephen A. Scott;
- 3) Additional character letters and live testimony will be provided at the reinstatement hearing.



Supreme Court of Ohio
Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline

Steve Clock
16013 S Desert Foothills Pkwy #2100
Phoenix, AZ 85048

08/02/2012

Board of Commissioners,

I'm writing this letter on behalf of John Wolanin.

I have had the privilege of knowing John for over twenty years. I met John in 1989 when he moved to Arizona as part of his recovery program for alcoholism. We were both new in recovery and we became part of a large group of young people active in 12 step recovery work, sponsoring new members, attending and participating in numerous weekly meetings. John returned to Ohio to attend Law School and begin his career. We stayed in touch through mutual friends and when he visited AZ and our lives changed and progressed.

When John relocated to Arizona in 2005 with his wife and daughter, we began a sponsor/sponsee relationship and grew closer as we worked the 12 steps together which has been mutually beneficial. As required for successful recovery John has been brutally honest and disclosed to me the exact nature of his issues with a relapse and concerning his ability to practice law. I know that John has accepted the consequences, learned from his mistake and is willing to make right the wrong.

I can assure you that John is a person of integrity, he does what he says he's going to do and he shows up when he says he'll be there. I trust John, our children have played together. As his sponsor, I have found John willing to take suggestion and to continue to be honest about everything personal and professional. John is a valuable member of our 12 step community in Phoenix and is always willing to help a new member in any way.

A huge element of the recovery program John and I belong to is taking responsibility for past mistakes and clearing them up. I have seen John work our program and have success, and I know he'll continue doing just that. I hope this letter helps demonstrate John Wolanin's willingness to change, learn and continue to grow as a person and a member of a community.

Thank you for your time,



AUG-06-2012 03:25 AM

5 August 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter of reference is intended for consideration by the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline of the Supreme Court of Ohio on behalf of John S. Wolanin. I am aware of the disciplinary issues under review and am also aware of the circumstances.

I am 48 year old man that has lived in Arizona since 1996. At the time, I had just completed my Bachelors Degree and moved to Arizona to work for Intel corporation. I am a career software engineer, currently working for Microchip in Chandler, AZ. I am also a recovering alcoholic. My 5 years of continuous sobriety is due, in part, to regular attendance at AA meetings.

I met John Wolanin while attending Alcoholic Anonymous meetings in January of 2009. We became close friends, and have remained friends ever since. John lived close to my neighborhood at that time, and we attended AA meetings together, shared rides to work, and enjoyed numerous holiday dinners with our families and our friends.

John and I commuted to work together while John was employed at CNA National Warranty Company in Scottsdale, Arizona. During that time, John proved to be a reliable and trustworthy friend. John's steady participation in our community's AA meetings included leading meetings and helping newcomers with unselfish zeal. John also has shown his integrity numerous times as demonstrated my personal issues I have shared with him that he kept confidential.

We continue to remain friends, spend time together on weekends, and attend regular AA meetings together. John continues to be an honest and trustworthy friend. Should you have any further questions about John Wolanin's character, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


5 AUG 2012

Stephen A. Scott
2522 S. Playa
Mesa, AZ
85202

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