

ORIGINAL

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

LORAIN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
LEGAL ETHICS AND GRIEVANCE  
COMMITTEE

Case No. 2014-2005

Relator

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

vs.

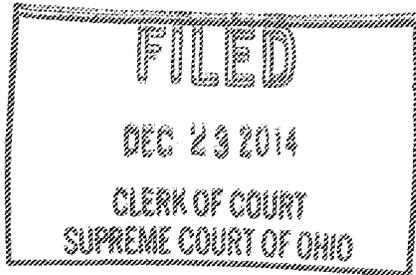
MICHAEL W. FINE, ESQ.

Respondent

STATE OF OHIO

SS.

COUNTY OF LORAIN



Affiant, Michael W. Fine, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states the following:

1. Affiant states that he is the subject of the above-captioned proceeding.
2. Affiant further states that he may receive correspondence and communications at:

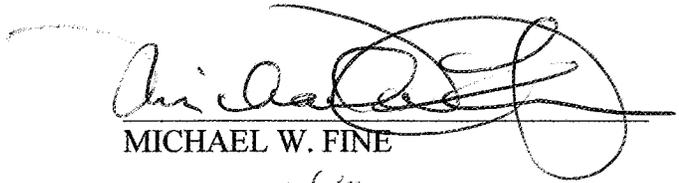
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3. Affiant states further that he has notified by certified mail all clients currently being represented in pending matters of his suspension in compliance with Paragraphs One (1)

and Five (5) of the November 24, 2014 Order. Copies of the correspondence and proof of service of said notifications are attached hereto as Exhibits 1 – 42.

4. Affiant further states that he has filed in each pending matter a Notice of Disqualification in compliance with Paragraphs Four (4) and Five (5), notifying each opposing counsel or, in the absence of counsel, the adverse parties in pending litigation of his disqualification to act as an attorney after November 24, 2014. (*See Exhs. 1 – 42*)
5. Affiant further states that a number of his past clients have elected to remain clients of the law firm of Smith, Illner & Gemelas Co., LPA. It is affiant's understanding and belief that successor counsel from Smith, Illner & Gemelas Co., LPA has notified opposing counsel that affiant no longer represents those particular clients in their respective matters.
6. Affiant further states that he is in compliance with Paragraphs Two (2) and Three (3) of the November 24, 2014 Order.
7. Affiant further states that he has retained and will maintain a record of the various steps taken pursuant to this Order.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.



MICHAEL W. FINE

SWORN TO, AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.



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My Commission Has No Expiration Date  
Section 147.03 O.R.C.

**PURSUANT TO SUP.R. 45(C)(2), THIS  
DOCUMENT OR PORTIONS OF THIS  
DOCUMENT ARE NOT AVAILABLE  
THROUGH REMOTE ACCESS.**

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

A true copy of the foregoing *Affidavit of Compliance* was served by United States Mail, postage prepaid, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014, upon:

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