UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2017-63

In re: LOUIS R. TOWNSEND, JR. FLORIDA BAR # 46825



ORDER ON PETITION FOR REINSTATEMENT

THIS CAUSE is before the Court on attorney Louis R. Townsend's Petition for Reinstatement as a member of the Bar of this Court. Mr. Townsend was reciprocally disciplined by this Court based upon an Order of Suspension by the Supreme Court of Florida. *See The Florida Bar v. Townsend*, 160 So.3d 900 (Fla. 2014). On December 29, 2015, Mr. Townsend filed a Petition for Reinstatement with The Florida Bar. After consideration of the uncontested report of the referee, the Supreme Court of Florida issued an Order of Reinstatement on April 28, 2016, reinstating Mr. Townsend as a member in good standing with The Florida Bar. *See The Florida Bar re Townsend*, No. SC15-2394, 2016 WL 1719076 (Fla. April 28, 2016).

Pursuant to Rule 9(c) of this Court's Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, the undersigned submitted this matter to the Court for its consideration at a regularly scheduled Judges' meeting held on October 5, 2017. Upon consideration of the Petition, attachments to the Petition, and being otherwise fully advised in the matter, by unanimous vote of the Judges in attendance, the Court finds that Mr. Townsend qualifies for reinstatement to this Court's Bar. Accordingly, this Court GRANTS Mr. Townsend's Petition for Reinstatement and orders that he be reinstated as a member in good standing to the Bar of this Court.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Miami-Dade, Florida, this <u>20th</u> day of November, 2017.

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K. MICHAEL MOORE CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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