

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2017-71

In re: **RANDALL LAWRENCE GILBERT**  
**FLORIDA BAR# 173835**

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**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

The Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension dated November 3, 2017, suspending Randall Lawrence Gilbert from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Gilbert*, No. SC15-2004, 2017 WL 5054403 (Fla. Nov. 3, 2017). The suspension was predicated on a Complaint by The Florida Bar and responses to the Supreme Court of Florida’s Order to Show Cause. The Clerk served attorney Gilbert by certified mail with an Order to Show Cause why this Court should not impose the same discipline, accompanied by the Supreme Court of Florida’s Order of Suspension. Service at Gilbert’s court record and Florida Bar address was signed for by Shayna Felix, without notation as to “agent” or “addressee.” On December 19, 2017, Gilbert submitted to the Court a Response to Order to Show Cause. In the Response, Gilbert stated that he will not be practicing law before this Court while the Florida Supreme Court’s Suspension Order is in effect and did not raise any objection to identical discipline by this Court.

Rule 8(a) of the Rules Governing the Admission, Practice, Peer Review, and Discipline of Attorneys, Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, requires that “[a]n attorney admitted to practice before this Court shall, upon being subjected to reprimand, discipline, suspension, or disbarment . . . promptly inform the Clerk of the Court of such action.” Rule 8(d) provides in pertinent part that after expiration of the time for submitting a response to an Order to Show Cause, “the Court may impose the identical discipline or may impose any other sanction the Court may deem appropriate.” Given this background, pursuant to Rule 8(a) and (d) and the Court’s inherent power to regulate membership in its bar for the protection of the public interest, *see Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 43 (1991) (“[A] federal court has the power to control admission to its bar and to

discipline attorneys who appear before it.”),

IT IS ORDERED that said attorney be suspended from practice in this Court, effective immediately. The attorney may not resume the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by order of this Court. *See* Rule 12(a). The Clerk of Court shall strike this attorney from the roll of attorneys eligible to practice in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida and shall also immediately revoke the attorney’s CM/ECF password.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by this Court that said attorney advise the Clerk of Court of all pending cases before this Court in which he is counsel or co-counsel of record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by this Court that the Clerk of Court attempt to serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension upon the attorney at his court record and Florida Bar address.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this 29th day of December, 2017.



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K. MICHAEL MOORE  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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- All Southern District Judges
- All Southern District Bankruptcy Judges
- All Southern District Magistrate Judges
- United States Attorney
- Circuit Executive
- Federal Public Defender
- Clerks of Court – District, Bankruptcy and 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit
- Florida Bar and National Lawyer Regulatory Data Bank
- Library
- Randall Lawrence Gilbert