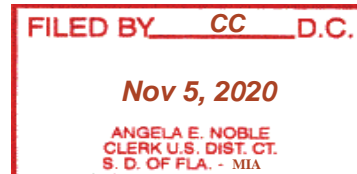


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-83  
CASE NO. 20-MC-24031

IN RE: PAUL K. SILVERBERG  
FLORIDA BAR # 147877

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**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

The Supreme Court of Florida has entered an Order of Suspension dated September 30, 2020, suspending Paul K. Silverberg from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Silverberg*, No. SC18-1216, 2020 WL 5823795 (Fla. Sept. 30, 2020) (ECF No. 1). The suspension was predicated on a Final Report of Referee. The Florida Supreme Court approved the referee’s findings of fact and recommendations of guilt but found Silverberg guilty of an additional violation and disapproved the recommended discipline of admonishment and instead imposed a ninety-one (91) day suspension. The Clerk served attorney Silverberg 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. (ECF No. 2). On October 30, 2020, Silverberg filed a Response to Order to Show Cause, stating that he “hereby consents to the same punishment as set forth by the Florida Bar” but “requests this Court follow such same reduction” in discipline provided that the result of his pending Motion for Limited Rehearing reduces the imposed discipline. (ECF No. 3).

In consideration of Silverberg’s Response, if there is any reduction to the discipline imposed by the Florida Supreme Court, upon conclusion of that discipline and reinstatement as an active attorney in good standing with The Florida Bar, the attorney may Petition for Reinstatement pursuant to Rule 12 of the Rules Governing the Admission, Practice, Peer Review, and Discipline of Attorneys (“Attorney Rules”), Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

Attorney Rule 8(a) requires that “[a]n attorney admitted to practice before this Court shall, upon

being subjected to reprimand, suspension, or disbarment . . . promptly inform the Clerk of the Court of such action.” Attorney 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 Attorney 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* Attorney 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 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 5th day of November, 2020.

  
K. MICHAEL MOORE  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished as follows: See attached

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