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STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action
against PAUL E. OVERSON,
a Minnesota Attorney,
Registration No. 0195005.

STIPULATION FOR DISPENSING WITH PANEL PROCEEDINGS, FOR FILING PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION, AND FOR DISCIPLINE

THIS STIPULATION is entered into by and between Susan M. Humiston, Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility (Director), and Paul E. Overson, attorney (respondent).

WHEREAS, respondent has concluded it is in respondent's best interest to enter into this stipulation,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the undersigned as follows:

1. It is understood that respondent has the right to have charges of unprofessional conduct heard by a Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board Panel prior to the filing of a petition for disciplinary action, as set forth in the Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR). Pursuant to Rule 10(a), RLPR, the parties agree to dispense with Panel proceedings under Rule 9, RLPR, and respondent agrees to the immediate filing of a petition for disciplinary action (petition) in the Minnesota Supreme Court.

2. Respondent understands that upon the filing of this stipulation and the petition, this matter will be of public record.

3. It is understood that respondent has certain rights pursuant to Rule 14, RLPR. Respondent waives these rights, which include the right to a hearing before a referee on the petition; to have the referee make findings and conclusions and a recommended disposition; to contest such findings and conclusions; and to a hearing

before the Supreme Court upon the record, briefs and arguments. Respondent admits service of the petition.

4. Respondent waives the right to answer and unconditionally admits the allegations of the petition.

5. Respondent understands that based upon these admissions, this Court may impose any of the sanctions set forth in Rule 15(a)(1) - (9), RLPR, including making any disposition it deems appropriate. Respondent understands that by entering into this stipulation, the Director is not making any representations as to the sanction the Court will impose.

6. The Director and respondent join in recommending that:

a. The appropriate discipline is a 30-day suspension pursuant to Rule 15, RLPR;

b. The reinstatement hearing provided for in Rule 18(a) through (d), RLPR, be waived;

c. Respondent be required to successfully complete the professional responsibility portion of the state bar examination within one year of the date of this Court's order;

d. Respondent comply with Rule 26, RLPR;

e. Respondent pay $900 in costs pursuant to Rule 24(a), RLPR;

f. Respondent be reinstated following the expiration of the suspension provided that at least 15 days before the expiration of the suspension period, respondent files an affidavit with the Clerk of Appellate Courts and the Director's Office establishing that respondent is current with Continuing Legal Education, has fully complied with Rules 24 and 26, RLPR, and has satisfactorily completed all other conditions imposed by the Court in its decision.

7. This stipulation is entered into by respondent freely and voluntarily, without any coercion, duress or representations by any person except as contained herein.

8. Respondent acknowledges receipt of a copy of this stipulation.

9. Respondent has been advised by the undersigned counsel concerning this stipulation and these proceedings generally.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties executed this stipulation on the dates indicated below.

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