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United States District Court
Northern District of Ohio
General Order

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2024-06

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY)	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS)	
INDEFINITE SUSPENSION FROM)	ORDER NO. 2024-06
PRACTICE FOR FAILURE TO PAY)	
REGISTRATION FEES TO THE)	
SUPREME COURT OF OHIO)	
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On November 1, 2023, The Supreme Court of Ohio suspended 232 attorneys from the practice of law for failure to pay registration fees pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VI, which requires attorneys admitted to the practice of law in Ohio to file a certificate of registration for the 2023/2025 attorney-registration biennium on or before September 1, 2023.¹

This Court having provided more than an additional ninety days from the issuance of The Supreme Court of Ohio’s order for the attorneys to rectify their registration status, this Court hereby indefinitely suspends the attorneys listed in “Attachment A” from practicing before this Court.

Readmission to practice before this Court requires the filing of an Application for Reinstatement pursuant to Local Civil Rule 83.7(i) and Local Criminal Rule 57.7(i) with Sandy Opacich, Clerk of Court, Carl B. Stokes U.S. Court House, 801 West Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113-1830, ATTN: Committee on Complaints and Policy Compliance. The application should include an affidavit stating that the jurisdiction

¹ Gov.Bar R. VI(2)(A) requires attorneys admitted to the practice of law in Ohio to register for the 2023/2025 attorney-registration biennium on or before September 1, 2023. Section 10(A) establishes that an attorney who fails to register and pay the registration fee on or before September 1, 2023, but registers and pays within 60 days of the deadline, shall be assessed a late fee. Section 10(B) provides that an attorney who fails to register and pay the fees either timely or within the late-registration period shall be notified of apparent noncompliance and that if the attorney fails to file evidence of compliance with Gov.Bar R. VI or to come into compliance within 60 days of the deadline, the attorney will be suspended from the practice of law.

which entered the order of discipline on which this Court based its discipline has reinstated the attorney along with a Certificate of Good Standing.

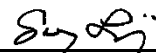
Upon receipt of the application, the Clerk shall refer the application to the Committee on Complaints and Policy Compliance, which shall schedule a hearing. At the hearing, the attorney shall have the burden of demonstrating by clear and convincing evidence that he/she has the moral qualifications, competency and learning in the law required for admission to practice law before this Court and that his/her resumption of the practice of law will not be detrimental to the integrity and standing of the bar or to the administration of justice, or subversive of the public interest. Should the Court find the attorney is found unfit to resume practice before this Court, the application shall be dismissed. No application for reinstatement shall be filed within one year following an adverse judgment upon an application for reinstatement filed by or on behalf of the same attorney. If the attorney is found fit to resume practice before this Court, the judgment shall reinstate him/her, provided that, if the attorney has been suspended for two years or more, reinstatement is conditioned upon the attendance of the attorney at a Federal Court Practice Seminar. A copy of the Certificate of Training for successfully completing the Federal Court Practice Seminar should accompany the Application for Reinstatement. Registration in the Court's CM/ECF system will also be required.

All attorneys admitted to practice in this Court are required to submit a written notice of a change of business address and/or email address to the Clerk upon the change in address, pursuant to Local Civil Rule 83.5(l) and Local Criminal Rule 57.5(l). Any attorney admitted to practice before this Court who fails to comply with Local Civil Rule 83.5(l) and Local Criminal Rule 57.5(l), makes the Clerk of Court his or her agent for the service of any notice provided in any disciplinary matter proceeding before this Court, pursuant to Local Civil Rule 83.7(k) and Local Criminal Rule 57.7(k).

If the attorney has been suspended for five years or more, reinstatement may also be conditioned upon furnishing proof of competency and learning in the law, which proof may include certification by the bar examiners of a state or other jurisdiction of the attorney's successful completion of an examination for admission to practice subsequent to the date of suspension.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT



Sara Lioi
Chief Judge

Attachment A

	Last Name	First Name	Middle	Bar ID No.	Status
1	Agarwal	Brij	Kumar	0067658	Active
2	Albertson	Molly	N.	0092112	Active
3	Baker	Terry	L.	0069178	Active
4	Becker	Raymond		0041641	Active
5	Boes	Andrew	J.	0091694	Active
6	Christoff	William	Z.	0001765	Active
7	Conner II	Larry	W.	0068568	Active
8	Costello	Sean	P.	0068612	Active
9	Couhig	Thomas	N.	0075436	Active
10	Deacon	Robert	F.	0005922	Active
11	DePietro	Harry	J.	0042491	Active
12	Duckworth	Lori	H.	0069078	Active
13	Feit	Elliot	H.	0010873	Active
14	Fuller	Lawrence	A.	0075793	Active
15	Gayan	Eric	M.	0069460	Active
16	Goldstein	Michael	S.	0009255	Active
17	Grisko Jr.	Jerome	P.	0038763	Active
18	Henderson	Ivan	L.	0069033	Active
19	Horton	Whitney	P.	0098224	Active
20	James	Teresa		0031671	Active
21	Kolick	David		0017272	Active
22	Kontos	Peter	James	0024893	Active
23	LaPorte	Elizabeth	M.	0088040	Active
24	Lipcsik	Robert	N.	0066042	Active
25	Mamich	Samuel	J.	0006097	Active
26	Morrison	Samuel	B.	0009000	Active
27	Price	Warren	R.	0078102	Active
28	Pringle	Marcus	A.	0090915	Active
29	Richards	Timothy	J.	0078198	Active
30	Robinson	Timothy	J.	0046668	Active
31	Schepis	Nicholas	J.	0001423	Active
32	Serbin	David	John	0015244	Active
33	Shenkan	Virginia		0070806	Active
34	Spiert	Kenneth	R.	0038804	Active
35	Touschner	Anthony	J.	0031177	Active
36	Velez	Alvaro	G.	0078921	Active
37	Vogel	John	W.	0071169	Active
38	Wargo	Andrew	M.	0058464	Active
39	White	Garrick	O.	0070102	Active
40	Wilson	LaTanya	R.	0065387	Active
41	Zackaroff	Peter	J.	0008701	Active