

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



In the Matter of:) Supreme Court Cause No.
Paul D. SPILLERS,) 98S00-0908-DI-388
Respondent.)

PUBLISHED ORDER IMPOSING RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE

The Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission filed a "Verified Notice of Foreign Discipline and Petition for Issuance of an Order to Show Cause," advising that Respondent was disciplined by the State of Louisiana and requesting, pursuant to Indiana Admission and Discipline Rule 23(28), that reciprocal discipline be imposed in this state. On September 4, 2009, this Court issued an "Order to Show Cause," to which Respondent has not responded. This case is now before this Court for resolution.

Respondent was admitted to practice law in Indiana and in Louisiana. On July 1, 2009, the Supreme Court of Louisiana found Respondent's conduct violated that jurisdiction's rules of professional conduct. For this misconduct, Respondent was suspended from the practice of law in Louisiana for six months with three months "deferred."

The Court finds that there has been no showing, pursuant to Admission and Discipline Rule 23(28)(c), of any reason why reciprocal discipline should not issue in this state.

Being duly advised, **the Court suspends Respondent from the practice of law in this state as of the date of this order.** Respondent is ordered to fulfill the duties of a suspended attorney under Admission and Discipline Rule 23(26). The costs of this proceeding are assessed against Respondent.

When Respondent is reinstated to practice in the foreign jurisdiction, Respondent may file a "Motion for Reinstatement," attaching documents demonstrating such reinstatement, requesting this Court to reinstate Respondent to the practice of law in Indiana. However, regardless of Respondent's date of reinstatement in the foreign jurisdiction, Respondent's suspension in this state shall not be lifted until Respondent has been suspended at least as long as Respondent was suspended in the foreign jurisdiction. Respondent's motion shall state the length of time Respondent was suspended in the foreign jurisdiction and the date on which the length of Respondent's Indiana suspension equals the length of Respondent's foreign suspension.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward notice of this Order to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, to the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission, to the Supreme Court of Louisiana, to all other entities entitled to notice under Admission and Discipline Rule 23(3)(d). The Clerk is further directed to post this order to the Court's website, and Thomson Reuters is directed to publish a copy of this order in the bound volumes of this Court's decisions.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 13th day of November, 2009.

/s/ Randall T. Shepard
Chief Justice of Indiana

All Justices concur.