

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Complainant,

v.

JOSEPH ANTHONY SORCE,

Respondent.

Supreme Court Case
No. SC-

The Florida Bar File
No. 2022-70,220 (11C)(MFC)

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OR JUDGMENT OF GUILT

COMES NOW, The Florida Bar, and files this Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt, pursuant to Rule 3-7.2(f), Rules of Discipline of The Florida Bar and says:

1. Respondent is a member of The Florida Bar, admitted on November 18, 1994.
2. On June 30, 2023, in the case styled *The State of Florida v. Joseph Anthony Sorce*, Case No. 21007694CF10A, in the Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida, pursuant to a plea agreement, respondent entered a plea of nolo contendere to Reckless Driving with Serious Bodily Injury and Possession of Cocaine, third-degree felonies, along with two counts of misdemeanor DUI with Property Damage/Personal Injury. Adjudication was withheld on

the felony charges. A copy of the disposition and order of probation are attached as Composite Exhibit A.

WHEREFORE, The Florida Bar respectfully requests that this Court enter an order:

A. Finding respondent guilty of violating Rule 4-8.4(b) (A lawyer shall not commit a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in other respects.) of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar;

B. Suspending respondent pursuant to Rule 3-7.2(f), Rules of Discipline of The Florida Bar;

C. Ordering respondent to furnish a copy of the suspension order to all clients, opposing counsel and courts before which he is counsel of record as required by Rule 3-5.1(h) of the Rules of Discipline of The Florida Bar and to furnish staff counsel with the requisite affidavit listing all clients, counsel and courts so informed within 30 days after receipt of the court's order; and

D. Appointing or directing the appointment of a referee to conduct a hearing on sanctions pursuant to Rule 3-7.2(h), Rules of Discipline of The Florida Bar.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been Efiled with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, with a copy provided to Kevin P. Tynan, Respondent's Counsel, via email using the Efiling Portal at ktynan@rtlawoffice.com; and to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, via email using the Efiling Portal at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 7th day of August, 2023.



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NOTICE OF TRIAL COUNSEL AND DESIGNATION OF PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the trial counsel in this matter is William Wonil Chung, Bar Counsel, whose address, telephone number and primary email address are The Florida Bar, Miami Branch Office, 444 Brickell Avenue, Rivergate Plaza, Suite M-100, Miami, Florida 33131-2404, (305) 377-4445, wchung@floridabar.org. Respondent need not address pleadings, correspondence, etc. in this matter to anyone other than trial counsel and to Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300, psavitz@floridabar.org.