

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case
No. SC-

IN RE: THE PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY
REVOCATION OF RUZY BEHNEJAD,

The Florida Bar File
No. 2025-70,481(11G)(MDR)

Petitioner.

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PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION
WITH LEAVE TO APPLY FOR READMISSION

COMES NOW petitioner, Ruzy Behnejad, and submits this Petition for Disciplinary Revocation pursuant to Rule Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.12 and states:

1. Petitioner knowingly and voluntarily submits this petition with Leave to Apply for Readmission after 5 years with full knowledge of its effect.
2. Petitioner is 35 years old and has been a member of The Florida Bar since September 30, 2014, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida and the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar.
3. Petitioner has no prior discipline history.
4. The following disciplinary charges are currently pending against the petitioner:

- A. In *The Florida Bar File No. 2025-70,232(11G)*, respondent represented complainant in a property damage claim. He successfully settled the claim for \$128,597.75 on April 15, 2024.
- B. Respondent received the settlement funds into his IOLTA trust account on or about April 2024.
- C. Thereafter, respondent left the United States for personal reasons. Respondent did not distribute the funds to the appropriate service providers or complainant in a timely manner after receiving the funds.
- D. Respondent failed to communicate with complainant to explain the delay in payment of her portion of the settlement funds or to explain the failure to pay the public adjuster, water & mold mitigation service, or the consultant.
- E. In July of 2024, he contacted complainant and promised to refund \$11,000 of his legal fees as compensation for the delay in distributing the funds.
- F. Respondent returned to the United States in September 2024 and made a wire transfer of \$61,383.34 to complainant on September 18, 2024.
- G. Respondent paid remaining parties from the settlement funds in November 2024 in the following amounts: \$23,000 to the public

adjuster, Henry Bean LLC, \$33, 054.83 to the water & mold mitigation service, Baldeo LLC, \$1,900 to the consultant, OJW Consulting company.

H. Respondent then wired \$11,000 to complainant as a refund for legal services, as promised in July. This payment was \$1,740.42 more than the settlement funds received.

5. Petitioner contends that granting this petition will not adversely affect the public interest, the integrity of the courts, or the confidence of the public in the legal profession. Further petitioner contends that granting this petition will not hinder the administration of justice.

6. Petitioner agrees to reimburse the Client Security Fund (CSF) for any and all funds CSF has paid or may pay out for claims resulting from petitioner's misconduct.

7. Petitioner agrees to reimburse The Florida Bar for the costs incurred in his disciplinary cases.

8. Petitioner agrees to submit to a complete audit of any trust account(s) and any other account(s) in which petitioner has placed client funds, if requested to do so by The Florida Bar.

9. Petitioner further agrees to submit a sworn financial affidavit to The Florida Bar attesting to petitioner's current personal and professional

financial circumstances on a form to be provided by The Florida Bar within (30) days, if requested.

10. Petitioner further agrees to maintain a current mailing address with The Florida Bar for a period of five (5) years after the disciplinary revocation becomes final. Further, petitioner shall keep the bar advised as to the physical address of petitioner's home and/or business in the event petitioner should utilize a post office box or other type of mail drop service during the five (5) year period after the disciplinary revocation becomes final.

11. Petitioner agrees to eliminate all indicia of petitioner's status as an attorney on email, social media, telephone listings, stationery, checks, business cards, office signs, or any other indicia of petitioner's status as an attorney, whatsoever.

12. Petitioner understands that the granting of this petition by the Supreme Court of Florida shall serve to dismiss all pending disciplinary cases.

WHEREFORE, petitioner respectfully requests that this Court grant this petition and order that petitioner's membership in The Florida Bar be revoked with leave to seek readmission.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed by:



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Dated this 7TH day of April, 2025.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have served the foregoing Petition for Disciplinary Revocation With Leave to Apply for Readmission on Amanda Harris, Bar Counsel, The Florida Bar, via email at aharris@floridabar.org and nfroncko@floridabar.org, on this 7TH day of April, 2025 for filing with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida via the e-filing portal.

Signed by:



Orestes Perez, Attorney for Petitioner