

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case
No.

IN RE:
THE PETITION FOR
DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION OF
MICHAEL GARY STEPAKOFF

The Florida Bar File
No.

Petitioner.

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PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION
WITH LEAVE TO REAPPLY FOR READMISSION

COMES NOW Petitioner, Michael Gary Stepakoff, and submits this
Petition for Disciplinary Revocation with leave to reapply pursuant to Rule
Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.12 and states:

1. Petitioner knowingly and voluntarily submits this petition with
leave to reapply after 5 years with full knowledge of its effect.
2. Petitioner is 58 years old and has been a member of The
Florida Bar since September 24, 1990, and is subject to the jurisdiction of
the Supreme Court of Florida and the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar.
3. Petitioner has the following discipline history: admonishment
for minor misconduct, April 7, 1995 (TFB No. 94-11,647(13D), and 6-month
suspension, Florida Supreme Court Order dated October 26, 2006 (Case
No. SC06-762).

4. The following disciplinary charges are currently pending against the Petitioner:

5. On February 9, 2021, federal criminal misdemeanor charges were filed against respondent in United States v. Michael Stepakoff, Case No. 1:21-MJ-00166, regarding his participation in the demonstration and entry into the U.S. Capitol Building on January 6, 2021.

6. Respondent entered a guilty plea to a misdemeanor offense to Count Four of the Information, charging him with Parading, Demonstrating, or Picketing in a Capitol Building, in violation of Title 40, United States Code, Section 5104(e)(2)(G).

7. Counts one, two, and three were dismissed on the motion of the Government.

8. On January 20, 2022, respondent was sentenced to probation for a term of 12 months, ordered to pay a fine of \$742.00, to pay a special assessment of \$10.00, and restitution in the amount of \$500.00.

9. By reason of the foregoing, respondent admits violating the following Rules Regulating The Florida Bar:

10. Rule 3-4.3 (Misconduct and Minor Misconduct).

11. Rule 4-8.4(b) (Misconduct: 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).

12. 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.

13. 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.

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

15. 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.

16. 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 thirty (30) days, if requested.

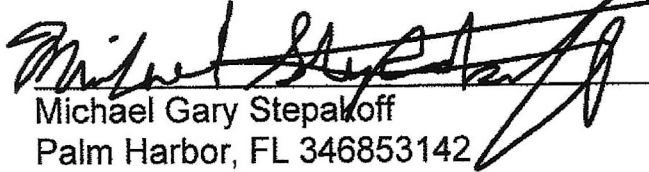
17. Petitioner further agrees to maintain a current mailing address with The Florida Bar for a period of five (5) years after the disciplinary revocation becomes final. Further, Petitioner shall keep the bar advised as to the physical address of Petitioner's home and/or business in the event Petitioner 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.

18. 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.

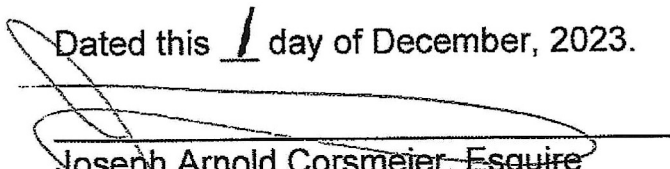
19. Petitioner understands that the granting of this petition by the Supreme Court of Florida shall serve to dismiss all pending disciplinary cases.

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 after 5 years.

Respectfully submitted,


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Dated this 1 day of December, 2023.


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Dated this 4th day of December, 2023.

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 via ~~United States Mail~~ to Joshua E. Doyle, Executive Director, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300 and to Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300, via email at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 4th day of December, 2023.


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