

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case No.

Complainant,

The Florida Bar File No.

2025-30,238(10A)(CFC)

v.

TERESA SCHIELE ROPER,

Respondent.

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OR JUDGMENT OF GUILT

The Florida Bar files this Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt under Rule Regulating The Florida Bar 3-7.2(f) and states:

1. Respondent, Teresa Schiele Roper, is a member of The Florida Bar, admitted on May 11, 1990.

2. Respondent was arrested on October 5, 2024, for Aggravated Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer/Great Bodily Harm, Trespass on Property after Warning, Resisting an Officer with Violence, and Resisting an Officer without Violence. A copy of the arrest affidavit is attached as Exhibit A.

3. Respondent was charged by Information with Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer, a third-degree felony, on January 21, 2025. A copy of the charging document is attached as Exhibit B.

4. On October 24, 2025, respondent pled nolo contendere to Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer, a third-degree felony punishable by a maximum sentence of five years imprisonment. A copy of the plea document is attached as Exhibit C.

5. On October 24, 2025, the court entered its judgment finding respondent guilty of Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer, a third-degree felony, and withheld adjudication. A copy of the Judgment is attached as Exhibit D.

6. On October 24, 2025, respondent was sentenced to a term of imprisonment of four days, with credit for four days served, and placed on supervised probation for 12 months with the following conditions: successful completion of an Anger Management class; not to possess or consume illegal drugs or alcohol and to take any prescribed medication as prescribed; completion of 35 hours of community service at a non-profit; and write a letter of apology to the victim within 30 days. Respondent also was ordered to pay fines and costs totaling \$669.00. The court did not order restitution. A copy of the order is attached as Exhibit E.

7. On October 23, 2025, respondent filed her notice of completion of the Anger Management class. A copy of the notice is attached as Exhibit F.

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

A. Finding respondent guilty of violating R. Regulating Fla. Bar 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);

B. Suspending respondent under Rule Regulating The Florida Bar 3-7.2(f);

C. Ordering respondent to provide a copy of the suspension order to all clients, opposing counsel, co-counsel, courts, tribunals, or adjudicative agencies before which respondent is counsel of record; and state, federal, or administrative bars of which respondent is a member as required by R. Regulating Fla. Bar 3-5.1(h);

D. Ordering respondent to provide staff counsel with the affidavit required by R. Regulating Fla. Bar 3-5.1(h) listing the names and addresses of all persons and entities provided with the suspension order within 30 days after receipt of this Court's order; and

E. Appointing or directing the appointment of a referee to conduct a hearing on sanctions under R. Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.2(h).

The Florida Bar also seeks award of its costs under R. Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.6(q).

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt has been filed via the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal with the Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, with a copy provided via the portal to Thomas Devlin Sommerville, Counsel for Respondent, at tom@sommervillelaw.com; and that a copy has been provided by United States Mail via Certified Mail No. 9589 0710 5270 2029 1031 03, return receipt requested to Thomas Devlin Sommerville, Counsel for Respondent, whose record bar address is 820 North Thornton Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32803-4003, and via email to Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 21st day of November, 2025.



Jill Marie Hampton, Bar Counsel

NOTICE OF TRIAL COUNSEL AND DESIGNATION OF PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS

The trial counsel in this matter is Jill Marie Hampton, Bar Counsel, whose address, telephone number and primary email address are The Florida Bar, Orlando Branch Office, 1000 Legion Place, Suite 1625, Orlando, FL 32801, (407) 425-5424 and jhampton@floridabar.org, orlandooffice@floridabar.org, cjeane@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 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300, psavitz@floridabar.org.

NOTICE OF MANDATORY ELECTRONIC FILING

All parties must file all pleadings, motions, and notices in this matter electronically, with a copy to the referee, through the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal, www.myflcourtagency.com, under Rule Regulating The Florida Bar 3-7.6(h)(5)(A) and (B).