

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2011-285

Date: NOV 07 2012

In re: ALABA SIKIRU AJETUNMOBI, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

MOTION

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Rachel A. McCarthy, Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes, Disciplinary Counsel

The respondent's unopposed motion for reinstatement to practice will be granted.

On August 15, 2011, the respondent was suspended from the practice of law for two years, stayed, with an actual suspension of six months, and probation for three years, by the Supreme Court of California. Consequently, on November 25, 2011, the Department of Homeland Security (the "DHS") initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the DHS. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before EOIR, including the Board and Immigration Courts.

On December 19, 2011, we suspended the respondent from practicing before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. The respondent did not file a timely answer to the Notice of Intent to Discipline, and did not dispute the allegations in the Notice. On January 10, 2012, we suspended the respondent from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for six months, effective as of December 19, 2011. We denied a previous reinstatement motion as premature on May 1, 2012.

The respondent again seeks reinstatement to practice, and the DHS does not oppose the request. The respondent has presented evidence that he is now eligible to practice law in California, and he has completed the period of suspension. 8 C.F.R. §§ 1001.1(f), 1003.107(a)(2012). *See* 77 Fed. Reg. 2011, 2015 (Jan. 13, 2012). The respondent will be reinstated to practice.

ORDER: The respondent is reinstated to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, as of the date of this order.

FURTHER ORDER: Because the respondent has been reinstated, public notices regarding the respondent's suspension should reflect this reinstatement.

FURTHER ORDER: If the respondent wishes to represent a party before the DHS or Board, he must file a Notice of Appearance (Form G-28 or Form EOIR-27), including any case in which he was formerly counsel, prior to his suspension.



FOR THE BOARD