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Executive Office for Immigration Review

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2011-096

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Decision of the Board of Immigration Appeals

In re: RAYMOND GERARD HELLWIG, 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 request for reinstatement to practice will be granted.

On August 10, 2011, the respondent was suspended from the practice of law for two years, stayed, with an actual suspension of nine months, and probation for three years, by the Supreme Court of California. Consequently, on September 2, 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. Therefore, on September 14, 2011, we suspended the respondent from practicing before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. On October 26, 2011, we suspended the respondent from practice before the Board, Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for nine months, effective September 14, 2011.

The respondent moves that the Board reinstate him to practice, saying that he has completed the period of suspension. The DHS Disciplinary Counsel does not oppose the petition for reinstatement, observing that the respondent is now eligible to practice law in California, as well as Texas. 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