

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2008-149

Date:

In re: AMAN LOPEZ, ATTORNEY

JUN 04 2012

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

MOTION

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

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Eileen M. Connolly, Appellate Counsel

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

On April 22, 2008, the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County, Massachusetts issued an order temporarily suspending the respondent from the practice of law as of the date of the order, pending further order of the court. Consequently, on June 26, 2008, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts.

The Department of Homeland Security (the "DHS") then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. Therefore, on July 24, 2008, the Board suspended the respondent from practicing before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. On December 16, 2008, the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County, Massachusetts issued an order suspending the respondent from the practice of law for 2 years. On May 29, 2009, we suspended the respondent from practice before the Board, Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for 2 years, effective July 24, 2008.

The respondent moves that the Board reinstate him to practice. The EOIR Disciplinary Counsel does not oppose the petition for reinstatement, observing that the respondent is now eligible to practice law in Massachusetts, and 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