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U.S. Department of Justice
Executive Office for Immigration Review
Board of Immigration Appeals

MATTER OF:

Thomas M. BUNDY, D2026-0228

Respondent

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ON BEHALF OF DHS: Amy S. Paulick, Disciplinary Counsel

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS
Notice of Intent to Discipline Before the Board of Immigration Appeals

Before: Creppy, Appellate Immigration Judge; Chaban, Appellate Immigration Judge; White,
Temporary Appellate Immigration Judge¹

Opinion by Chaban, Appellate Immigration Judge

CHABAN, Appellate Immigration Judge

The respondent will be suspended from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals ("Board"), the Immigration Courts, and the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") for six months, effective June 18, 2026.

On March 11, 2026, the Supreme Court of California issued a decision and order suspending the respondent from the practice of law for 2 years. Pursuant to the order, the California Supreme Court stayed execution of the respondent's period of suspension and placed him on probation for 2 years, suspending the respondent from the practice of law for the first 6 months of the 2-year probationary period. On June 4, 2026, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review and the Disciplinary Counsel for DHS filed a Joint Notice of Intent to Discipline ("NID"), as well as a Joint Petition for Immediate Suspension ("PIS"), based upon the respondent's suspension in California. We granted the PIS on June 18, 2026.

The respondent was required to file a timely answer to the allegations contained in the NID but has failed to do so. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105. The respondent's failure to file a response within the time prescribed in the NID constitutes an admission of the allegations therein, and the respondent is now precluded from requesting a hearing on the matter. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105(d)(1).

The NID proposes that the respondent be suspended from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS for six months. Because the respondent has failed to file an answer,

¹ Temporary Appellate Immigration Judges sit pursuant to appointment by the Attorney General. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.1(a)(4).

the regulations direct us to adopt the proposed sanction contained in the NID unless there are considerations that compel us to diverge from that proposal. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105(d)(2).

The proposed sanction is appropriate considering the respondent's suspension from the practice of law in California. We will honor the proposed discipline and will order the respondent suspended from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS for six months. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105(d)(2).

ORDER: The Board hereby suspends the respondent from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS, for six months, effective June 18, 2026. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.105(d)(2).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent must maintain compliance with the directives set forth in our prior order.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent must notify the Board of any further disciplinary action against him.

FURTHER ORDER: The contents of the order shall be made available to the public, including at the Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of DHS.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent may petition this Board for reinstatement to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS under 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107.