

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2017-0431

Date: JAN 17 2018

In re: Victoria CHAN, Attorney

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Catherine M. O'Connell
Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes
Disciplinary Counsel

On November 27, 2017, in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the respondent entered a plea of guilty to conspiracy to commit visa fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, conspiracy to commit wire fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1349, and international money laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(2)(A). The respondent's pleas resulted in convictions and her sentencing hearing is scheduled for July 9, 2018. *See* Petition for Immediate Suspension, Attachments 1 and 2.

On December 11, 2017, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before that agency. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals (Board) and the Immigration Courts. The respondent's offenses constitute serious crimes as defined in 8 C.F.R. § 1003.102(h), and her guilty plea to these offenses, as accepted by the United States District Court for the Central District of California, provides a proper basis for immediately suspending her from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4). The petition therefore will be granted.¹ *See* 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.103(a)(1), (2) and (4) (2017) (discussing grounds for immediate suspension).

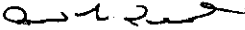
ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order.

¹ Upon good cause shown, the Board may set aside the order of immediate suspension when it appears in the interest of justice to do so. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4).

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



FOR THE BOARD