Executive Office for Immigration Review

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2019-0016

Date:

MAR U 5 2019

In re: Susanna DVORTSIN, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Paul A. Rodrigues

Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Catherine M. O'Connell

Disciplinary Counsel

On January 3, 2019, the Supreme Court of South Dakota suspended the respondent from the practice of law in South Dakota for 115 days, effective February 3, 2019. The basis for the suspension involved misconduct concerning an immigration matter. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals ("Board") and the Immigration Courts on February 5, 2019, and states that the respondent remains suspended from the practice of law in South Dakota, as of the date of its filing. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") asks that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. The petition will be granted. See 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.103(a)(1) and (4) (discussing grounds for immediate suspension).

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is immediately suspended from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS. 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.

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

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