

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

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File: D2019-0033

Date: APR 04 2019

In re: Roger Daniel MORALES, Attorney

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Paul A. Rodriguez, Disciplinary Counsel

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

On January 16, 2019, the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge for the Colorado Supreme Court issued a final order approving the amended conditional admission of misconduct submitted by the respondent and counsel for the Office of Attorney Regulation and imposing discipline. The order suspended the respondent from the practice of law in Colorado for 1 year and 1 day, with 6 months to be served and 6 months and 1 day to be stayed upon completion of a 2 year period of probation. The suspension took effect on February 20, 2019.

On February 19, 2019, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Immigration Courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. The petition will be granted.<sup>1</sup> See 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.103(a)(1) and (4) (2018) (discussing grounds for immediate suspension).

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended from the practice of law before the Board of Immigration Appeals, 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 of Immigration Appeals, 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.



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FOR THE BOARD

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<sup>1</sup> Upon good cause shown, the Board of Immigration Appeals 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).