U.S. Department of Justice

Executive Office for Immigration Review

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2019-0194

Date:

JUL 29.2019

In re: J. Marcos PERALES PINA, 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 March 8, 2019, the Supreme Court of New Mexico issued a final order suspending the respondent from the practice of law in New Mexico for 1 year, effective March 15, 2019. On July 11, 2019, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office of 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. 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.

FOR THE BOARD

¹ 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).