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

MATTER OF:

Marianne GONKO, D2022-0001

Respondent

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ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Pro se

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

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

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

Before: Creppy, Appellate Immigration Judge; Liebowitz, Appellate Immigration Judge;
Manuel, Temporary Appellate Immigration Judge¹

Opinion by Appellate Immigration Judge Creppy

CREPPY, 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 a period of 30 days, effective February 2, 2022.

On December 30, 2021, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge issued a final judgment and order suspending the respondent from the practice of law in Arizona for 30 days, effective January 29, 2022. On January 13, 2022, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) and the Disciplinary Counsel for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) filed a Joint Notice of Intent to Discipline, as well as a Joint Petition for Immediate Suspension, based upon the respondent's suspension in Arizona. We granted the Joint Petition for Immediate Suspension on February 2, 2022.

On February 2, 2022, the respondent filed a timely response to the Notice of Intent to Discipline, where she admitted all the allegations therein, and waived her right to a hearing. The respondent stated that she entered an Agreement for Discipline by Consent with the State Bar of

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

Arizona and have agreed to all terms of the agreement. In her response, the respondent did not oppose the discipline proposed by Disciplinary Counsels in the Notice of Intent to Discipline.

The Notice of Intent to Discipline proposed that the respondent be suspended from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for a period of 30 days, effective as of the date of the Board's immediate suspension order. The proposed sanction is appropriate in light of the respondent's suspension in Arizona, and the respondent's response and admissions to the Notice of Intent to Discipline. Accordingly, we will honor the proposed discipline, and order the respondent suspended from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for a period of 30 days, effective as of February 2, 2022. The following orders will be entered.

ORDER: The respondent hereby suspends the respondent from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, for a period of 30 days, effective as of February 2, 2022.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent must maintain compliance with the directives set forth in our prior order. The respondent must notify the Board of any further disciplinary action against her.

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

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