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

MATTER OF:

Vannia GLASINOVIC, D2022-0024

Respondent

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ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT: Jennifer K. Saunders, Esquire

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

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Toinette M. Mitchell, Disciplinary Counsel

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

Before: Ellen Liebowitz, Appellate Immigration Judge; Brown, Temporary Appellate Immigration Judge; Manuel, Temporary Appellate Immigration Judge

Opinion by Appellate Immigration Judge Liebowitz

LIEBOWITZ, Appellate Immigration Judge

The respondent will be suspended from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") for 30 days, effective March 3, 2022. In addition, the respondent's request for reinstatement will be granted, and she will be reinstated to practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and DHS as of the date of this order.

On January 13, 2022, the Supreme Court of California suspended the respondent from the practice of law in California for 1 year, with 1 year stayed. The court placed the respondent on probation for 1 year and suspended her from the practice of law in California for the first 30 days of the probation, effective February 12, 2022. On February 17, 2022, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) and the Disciplinary Counsel for DHS jointly petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS. We granted the petition on March 3, 2022.

On March 17, 2022, the respondent filed an answer to the Notice of Intent to Discipline and admitted the allegations against her. She also claimed that she was not aware of her duty to report her suspension in California to the Disciplinary Counsels for EOIR and DHS, apologized for her

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Temporary Appellate Immigration Judges sit pursuant to appointment by the Attorney General. *See generally* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.1(a)(1), (4).

failure to do so, and stated that, because her suspension in California was based on a referral from an Immigration Court, she assumed all relevant parties had been notified (Respondent's Answer at 2). Finally, she argued that the imposition of non-concurrent reciprocal discipline would result in grave injustice (Respondent's Answer at 2-3).

On March 24, 2022, the Disciplinary Counsels for EOIR and DHS filed a motion for summary adjudication. In the motion, the Disciplinary Counsels disputed the respondent's claim that non-concurrent reciprocal discipline would result in grave injustice (Gov't Motion for Summary Adjudication at 3). The Disciplinary Counsels also maintained that the respondent's ignorance of the duty to report discipline did not excuse her failure to comply, and the Disciplinary Counsels asked this Board to retain jurisdiction over these proceedings and issue a final order suspending the respondent from practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS for 30 days, effective March 3, 2022.

On April 28, 2022, the respondent filed a motion for reinstatement to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and DHS. In support of her motion, she provided proof that she had been reinstated to practice in California and several letters attesting to her good character. The Disciplinary Counsels then filed a response asking this Board to issue a final order of discipline and to reinstate the respondent to practice immediately.

The respondent has consented to the 30-day suspension proposed in the Notice of Intent to Discipline, and this discipline is appropriate in light of the respondent's suspension in California. We therefore will honor the proposed discipline and will order the respondent suspended from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and DHS for 30 days. Moreover, as the respondent did not comply with the notice requirements of 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(c), we will deem her suspension to have commenced on March 3, 2022, the date of our immediate suspension order.

In addition, because the respondent has been suspended for more than 30 days under our immediate suspension order, has been reinstated to the practice of law in California and now meets the definition of attorney contained in 8 C.F.R. § 1001.1(f), and because the Disciplinary Counsels do not oppose her request for simultaneous reinstatement, we will grant the respondent's motion for reinstatement. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107(a). The respondent's reinstatement will be effective immediately upon issuance of this order.

ORDER: The Board hereby suspends the respondent from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and DHS for 30 days, effective March 3, 2022.

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent is reinstated to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, as of the date of this order.

FURTHER ORDER: This reinstatement should be reflected in any public notices maintained and disseminated by the Executive Office for Immigration Review regarding attorney discipline.

FURTHER ORDER: If the respondent wishes to represent a party before DHS, the Immigration Courts or the Board, she must file a Notice of Appearance (Form G-28, Form EOIR-26, or Form EOIR-27), even in cases in which she was counsel prior to her suspension.