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

MATTER OF:

Patrick Chinedu NWANERI, D2022-0171

Respondent

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

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

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS
On Motion from a Decision of the Board of Immigration Appeals

Before: Liebowitz, Appellate Immigration Judge; Malphrus, Deputy Chief Appellate
Immigration Judge; Noferi, Temporary Appellate Immigration Judge¹

Opinion by Appellate Immigration Judge Liebowitz

LIEBOWITZ, Appellate Immigration Judge

In a decision dated November 29, 2022, we suspended the respondent from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals, the Immigration Courts, and the Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”) for a period of 90 days, effective September 7, 2022. The respondent has now filed a motion for reinstatement, which will be granted.

With his motion for reinstatement, the respondent submitted evidence showing that he has been readmitted to the practice of law in Minnesota. He further maintains that he is eligible to practice law and that he meets the definition of attorney contained in 8 C.F.R. § 1001.1(f). *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107(a)(1) (discussing requirements for reinstatement).

The Disciplinary Counsels for the Executive Office for Immigration Review and DHS do not dispute that the respondent meets the definition of attorney at 8 C.F.R. § 1001.1(f), and they do not oppose the respondent’s motion for reinstatement. We therefore will grant the respondent’s motion for reinstatement. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107(a)(3).

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

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

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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, he must file a Notice of Appearance (Form G-28, Form EOIR-26, or Form EOIR-27) even in cases in which he was counsel prior to his suspension.