

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2011-106

Date: JUL 13 2011

In re: PARMESH DIXIT, ATTORNEY

~~IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS~~

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Rachel A. McCarthy, Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes, Disciplinary Counsel

On May 6, 2011, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, the respondent entered into a plea agreement and pled guilty to a "serious crime" within the meaning of 8 C.F.R. § 1003.102(h), relating to the respondent's immigration law practice. That is, the respondent pled guilty to conspiracy to harbor aliens in violation of the law, contrary to 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(v)(I). As part of the plea agreement, the respondent agreed to surrender his license to practice law in Georgia, and agreed not to seek reinstatement until October 1, 2018. The court accepted the guilty plea on May 6, 2011.

Consequently, on June 30, 2011, the Department of Homeland Security (the "DHS"), initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the DHS. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before EOIR, including the Board and Immigration Courts. The petition will be granted.

ORDER: The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended from the practice of law before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. See 8 C.F.R. §§ 1003.103(a); 1292.3(c).

FURTHER ORDER: The respondent is directed to promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, 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 Board directs that the contents of this notice be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.


FOR THE BOARD