

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2016-0161

Date: AUG 26 2016

In re: JOHN ELLIOTT REARDON, SR., ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes
Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Jeannette V. Dever
Associate Legal Advisor

On June 12, 2015, the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit suspended the respondent from the practice of law before the Tenth Circuit for two years, effective June 15, 2015. This discipline was based on the respondent's failure to zealously represent clients, and failure to follow court rules. On July 11, 2016, the Supreme Court of Colorado suspended the respondent from the practice of law in Colorado for two years, effective nunc pro tunc to June 12, 2015. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts on July 20, 2016. The Disciplinary Counsel for the Department of Homeland Security then asked that the respondent be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. The petition will be granted.¹

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. 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, 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.

¹ The Board may set aside the order of immediate suspension upon a showing of good cause when it appears in the interest of justice to do so. 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a)(4).

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. M. G. S.", is written above a horizontal line.

FOR THE BOARD