

PETITIONER

JEANETTE M. RILEY

Notice is given that **Jeanette M. Riley**, P42517, has filed a petition in the Michigan Supreme Court and with the Attorney Grievance Commission seeking reinstatement as a member of the State Bar and restoration of her license to practice law.

Effective July 18, 2014, in *Grievance Administrator v Jeanette M. Riley*, Case No. 14-18-GA, the petitioner received a suspension for 180 days from the practice of law. The petitioner did not appear at the hearing and was found to be in default for her failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on the petitioner's default, the hearing panel found that the petitioner, in a divorce and child custody matter, failed to communicate with her client, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a); failed to communicate adequately with her client concerning the rate or basis of her fees, in violation of MRPC 1.5(c); failed to promptly pay her client the funds to which her client was entitled, in violation of MRPC 1.15(b)(1); failed to render an accounting of the fees to her client, in violation of MRPC 1.15(b)(3); failed to deposit a fee and costs paid in advance of services rendered into a client trust ac-

count, in violation of MRPC 1.15(g); failed to refund unearned fees upon termination of the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d); and failed to answer six requests for investigation, in violation of MRPC 8.1(a)(2), MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), and MCR 9.113(B)(2). The panel also found that the petitioner violated MRPC 8.4(a) and (c), and MCR 9.104(1)-(4).

The panel ordered that the petitioner's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 180 days and that she pay restitution in the amount of \$2,500.

A hearing is scheduled for September 6, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., at the Office of Chairman Steven J. Matz, 25800 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 925, Southfield, MI 48075.

Any interested person may appear at the hearing and be heard in support of or in opposition to the petition for reinstatement. Any person having information bearing on the petitioner's eligibility for reinstatement should contact:

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REQUIREMENTS OF THE PETITIONER

Pursuant to MCR 9.123(B), the petitioner is required to establish the following by clear and convincing evidence:

1. She desires in good faith to be restored to the privilege of practicing law in Michigan.

2. The term of the suspension ordered has elapsed or five years have elapsed since her disbarment or resignation.

3. She has not practiced or attempted to practice law contrary to the requirement of her suspension or disbarment.

4. She has complied fully with the order of discipline.

5. Her conduct since the order of discipline has been exemplary and above reproach.

6. She has a proper understanding of and attitude toward the standards that are imposed on members of the Bar and will conduct herself in conformity with those standards.

7. Taking into account all of the attorney's past conduct, including the nature of the misconduct that led to the revocation or suspension, she nevertheless can safely be recommended to the public, the courts, and the legal profession as a person fit to be consulted by others and to represent them and otherwise act in matters of trust and confidence, and, in general, to aid in the administration of justice as a member of the Bar and as an officer of the court.

8. If she has been suspended for three years or more, she has been recertified by the Board of Law Examiners.

9. She has reimbursed or has agreed to reimburse the Client Protection Fund any money paid from the fund as a result of her conduct.

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PETER S. TANGALOS

Notice is given that **Peter S. Tangalos**, P52969, has filed a petition in the Michigan Supreme Court and with the Attorney Grievance Commission seeking reinstatement as



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a member of the State Bar and restoration of his license to practice law.

On April 7, 2014, the grievance administrator filed a two-count formal complaint alleging that the respondent committed professional misconduct. The petitioner filed an answer to the formal complaint and appeared at the hearings. The hearing panel found that the petitioner failed to promptly pay or deliver any funds that a client or third person was entitled to receive due to insufficient funds in the petitioner's IOLTA, in violation of MRPC 1.15(b)(3); and failed to hold client and third-party funds in connection with a representation separate from the lawyer's funds, in violation of MRPC 1.15(d). The hearing panel ordered that the petitioner's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 60 days. The petitioner served the 60-day suspension and his license to practice law was reinstated, effective October 13, 2015. The grievance administrator filed a petition for review, seeking an increase in discipline, and the Attorney Discipline Board scheduled the matter for a hearing.

The Attorney Discipline Board conducted review proceedings in accordance with MCR 9.118, which included a review of the whole record before the panel, consideration of the parties' briefs and the arguments presented, the transcript of the review hearing, and the recommendation of the sub-board. The Board increased the discipline imposed from a 60-day suspension of the petitioner's license to practice law to a 180-day suspension. The petitioner filed a motion for reconsideration and requested a stay of discipline. The Board granted the stay. The petitioner's motion for reconsideration was denied by the Board, and the suspension went into effect March 3, 2017.

A hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2017, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the office of the hearing panel Chairperson, James W. Burdick, 1760 S. Telegraph Rd., Ste. 300, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-5000.

In the interest of maintaining the high standards imposed on the legal profession as conditions for the privilege to practice law in this state, and of protecting the public, the judiciary, and the legal profession

against conduct contrary to such standards, the petitioner will be required to establish his eligibility for reinstatement by clear and convincing evidence.

Any interested person may appear at the hearing and be heard in support of or in opposition to the petition for reinstatement. Any person having information bearing on the petitioner's eligibility for reinstatement should contact:

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REQUIREMENTS OF THE PETITIONER

The petitioner now seeks reinstatement and is required to establish the following by clear and convincing evidence:

1. He desires in good faith to be restored to the privilege to practice law in this state.
2. The term of the suspension ordered has elapsed or five years have elapsed since revocation of the license.

3. He has not practiced or attempted to practice law contrary to the requirement of his suspension or revocation.

4. He has complied fully with the terms of the order of discipline.

5. His conduct since the discipline has been exemplary and above reproach.

6. He has a proper understanding of and attitude toward the standards that are imposed on members of the Bar and will conduct himself in conformity with those standards.

7. He can safely be recommended to the public, the courts, and the legal profession as a person fit to be consulted by others and to represent them and otherwise act in matters of trust and confidence, and, in general, to aid in the administration of justice as a member of the Bar and as an officer of the court.

8. If he has been suspended for three years or more, he has been recertified by the Board of Law Examiners.

9. He has reimbursed or has agreed to reimburse the Client Protection Fund any money paid from the fund as a result of his conduct. Failure to fully reimburse as agreed is grounds for revocation of a reinstatement.

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