Notice of Hearing on Petition for Reinstatement

PETITIONER

GREGORY BARTKO

Notice is given that Gregory Bartko, P30052, has filed a petition with the Michigan Supreme Court, the Attorney Discipline Board, and the Attorney Grievance Commission seeking reinstatement as a member of the State Bar and restoration of his license to practice law in accordance with MCR 9.124(A). In the Matter of the Reinstatement Petition of Gregory Bartko (P30052), ADB Case No. 21-28-RP.

The petitioner, Gregory Bartko, was convicted by a jury in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Western Division, of one count of conspiracy, four counts of mail fraud, and one count of sale of unregistered securities, all felonies. In accordance with MCR 9.120(B)(1), the petitioner's license to practice law in Michigan was automatically suspended effective November 18, 2010, the date of his felony convictions. The grievance administrator filed a notice of judgment of conviction with the Attorney Discipline Board on May 26, 2011.

Based on the petitioner's convictions, Tri-County Hearing Panel #15 of the Attorney Discipline Board found that the petitioner had committed professional misconduct in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(5). The panel ordered that the petitioner be disbarred, effective November 18, 2010.

The Attorney Discipline Board has assigned the reinstatement petition to Tri-County Hearing Panel #26. A virtual hearing is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2021, commencing at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom videoconferencing. Any interested person may participate in the hearing and request to be heard in support of or in opposition to the petition for reinstatement.

In the interest of maintaining the high standards imposed upon 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 person having information bearing on the petitioner's eligibility for reinstatement should contact:

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REQUIREMENTS OF THE PETITIONER

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

- 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 the disbarment, whichever is applicable;
- 3. He has not practiced or attempted to practice law contrary to the requirement of his suspension or disbarment;
- 4. He has complied fully with the terms of the order of discipline;
- 5. His conduct since the order of 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 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
- 8. That if he has been out of the practice of law for three years or more, he has been recertified by the Board of Law Examiners; and,
- 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 vacating an order of reinstatement.

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MONEY JUDGMENT INTEREST RATE

MCL 600.6013 governs how to calculate the interest on a money judgment in a Michigan state court. Interest is calculated at six-month intervals in January and July of each year, from when the complaint was filed, and is compounded annually.

For a complaint filed after December 31, 1986, the rate as of January 1, 2021 is 1.330 percent. This rate includes the statutory 1 percent.

But a different rule applies for a complaint filed after June 30, 2002 that is based on a written instrument with its own specified interest rate. The rate is the lesser of:

- (1) 13 percent a year, compounded annually; or
- (2) the specified rate, if it is fixed—or if it is variable, the variable rate when the complaint was filed if that rate was legal.

For past rates, see http://courts.mi.gov/Administration/SCAO/Resources/Documents/ other/interest.pdf.

As the application of MCL 600.6013 varies depending on the circumstances, you should review the statute carefully.