

PETITIONER

THOMAS A. MENGESHA

Notice is given that **Thomas A. Mengesha**, P59421, 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 his license to practice law.

Effective December 18, 2012, the petitioner was suspended from the practice of law for 180 days pursuant to an order of suspension and restitution with condition (by consent) in *Grievance Administrator v Thomas A. Mengesha*, ADB Case No. 12-45-GA.

The petitioner and the grievance administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. The petitioner pleaded no contest to the allegations that, in his capacity as trustee for a trust, he took personal loans (approximately \$95,000) from the trust without disclosing the terms of the loans in writing to the owner of the trust, or obtaining the owner's consent in writing. Additionally, the loan arrangement between the petitioner and the trust did not provide for a rate or schedule for the return of the personal loans taken by the respondent.

Based on the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that the petitioner had entered into a business transaction with a client in which the transaction and terms were not fair and reasonable to the client and were not fully disclosed and transmitted to the client in a manner that could reasonably be understood by the client, in violation of MRPC 1.8(a)(1); entered into a business transaction with a client in which the client did not consent to the transactions and its terms in writing, in violation of MRPC 1.8(a)(3); and, engaged in conduct that is a violation of the Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct, contrary to MRPC 8.4(c).

In accordance with the stipulation, the hearing panel ordered that the petitioner's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 180 days and that he pay restitution in the amount of \$101,871.09. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$825.28.

A hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., at the Office of the Attorney Discipline Board, 211 West Fort Street, Suite 1410, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

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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Grievance Administrator
Attorney Grievance Commission
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Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 961-6585

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PETITIONER

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

1. He 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 his disbarment or resignation.
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 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. Taking into account all of the attorney's past conduct, including the nature of the misconduct that led to the revocation or suspension, he 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 he has been suspended for three years or more, he has been recertified by the Board of Law Examiners.

9. He has reimbursed the Client Protection Fund or has agreed to an arrangement satisfactory to the fund to reimburse any money paid from the fund as a result of his conduct.

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BRUCE REDMAN

Notice is given that **Bruce Redman**, P46958, 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 his license to practice law.

Effective June 1, 2014, the petitioner was suspended from the practice of law for 180 days, by consent, for failing to comply with the terms of a prior disciplinary order. Specifically, the petitioner failed to continue treatment and counseling as ordered in a prior disciplinary matter, in which he pled no contest to neglecting a legal matter in violation of MRPC 1.1(a) and failure to pursue a matter with reasonable diligence in violation of MRPC 1.3.

A hearing is scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2015, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the office of Hearing Panel Member Martin S. Baum, 800 W. Long Lake Rd., Suite 220, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302.

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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Attorney Grievance Commission
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REQUIREMENTS OF THE PETITIONER

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

1. He 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 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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WILLIAM C. ROUSH

Notice is given that **William C. Roush**, P23444, 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 his license to practice law.

Notice of Suspension Case No. 13-130-JC

William C. Roush, P23444, Birmingham, by the Attorney Discipline Board, Tri-County Hearing Panel #79.

1. Suspension—180 days
2. Effective October 7, 2014

The hearing panel found that the petitioner was convicted, by guilty plea, of violating MCL 750.335(a)(2)(b), a misdemeanor, in the Oakland County Circuit Court. The petitioner's conduct was found to have violated a criminal law of a state or of the United States, contrary to MCR 9.104(5).

The panel ordered that the petitioner's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 133 days and that he be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct. The grievance administrator filed a petition for review, seeking an increase in discipline. The petitioner did not file a motion for stay of discipline.

On March 3, 2015, the Attorney Discipline Board, upon review, ordered that the discipline in this matter be increased to a 180-day suspension of the petitioner's license to practice in Michigan, retroactive to October 7, 2014. The Board also ordered that the conditions imposed by the hearing panel be vacated in their entirety. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,091.38.

A hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at 10 a.m., at the Office of Lawrence Wm. Smith Jr., Chairperson, 721 S. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602.

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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1. He 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 his disbarment or resignation.

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 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. Taking into account all of the attorney's past conduct, including the nature of the misconduct that led to the revocation or suspension, he 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 he has been suspended for three years or more, he has been recertified by the Board of Law Examiners.

9. He has reimbursed the Client Protection Fund or has agreed to an arrangement satisfactory to the fund to reimburse any money paid from the fund as a result of his conduct.



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