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BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,

STEVEN M. BURROWS, Bar No. 010176,

Respondent.

PDJ 2021-9014

State Bar File Nos. 20-1024 and 20-1129

AGREEMENT FOR DISCIPLINE BY CONSENT

The State Bar of Arizona, and Respondent Steven M. Burrows who is not represented, submit their Agreement for Discipline by Consent pursuant to Rule

57(a), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.¹ A probable cause order was entered on February 23, 2021. A formal complaint was filed March 17, 2021. Respondent voluntarily waives the right to an adjudicatory hearing, unless otherwise ordered, and waives all motions, defenses, objections or requests which have been made or raised, or could be asserted thereafter, if the conditional admissions and proposed form of discipline are approved.

Pursuant to Rule 53(b)(3) notice of this agreement was provided to the complainants by letter/email on April 12, 2021. Complainants have been notified of the opportunity to file a written objection to the agreement with the State Bar within five (5) business days of bar counsel's notice. Copies of Complainants' objections, if any, have been or will be provided to the presiding disciplinary judge.

Respondent conditionally admits that his conduct, as set forth below, violated Rule 41(g) (in effect at the time of his conduct) (unprofessional conduct), and Rule 42, ERs 8.4(b) (criminal act) and 8.4(d) (prejudice to the administration of justice). Upon acceptance of this agreement, Respondent agrees to be suspended

¹ All references to rules are to the Arizona Rules of the Supreme Court unless stated otherwise.

for two years. Respondent also agrees to pay the costs and expenses of the disciplinary proceeding within 30 days from the date of this order. If costs are not paid within the 30 days interest will begin to accrue at the legal rate.² The State Bar's Statement of Costs and Expenses is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

FACTS

COUNT ONE (File no. 20-1024/ Mingle)

- 1. Respondent was licensed to practice law in Arizona on November 9, 1985.
- 2. In *In the Matter of the Estate of Nancy A. Burrows*, Pima County Superior Court PB20171001, Respondent was the Personal Representative (PR) of his mother Nancy's estate. Complainant Jacquelyne Mingle represented Lynn Evans who is Nancy's daughter, Respondent's brother, a beneficiary, and was alternate PR. There were other sister beneficiaries.
- 3. On behalf of the beneficiaries, Complainant filed a *Petition for Accounting and Removal* on June 29, 2018. Complainant alleged Respondent

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² Respondent understands that the costs and expenses of the disciplinary proceeding include the costs and expenses of the State Bar of Arizona, the Disciplinary Clerk, the Probable Cause Committee, the Presiding Disciplinary Judge and the Supreme Court of Arizona.

misappropriated funds. The Court eventually removed Respondent as PR and divided estate funds to remedy Respondent's self-dealing.

- 4. Respondent breached one settlement agreement by using the few remaining estate funds for his own benefit. He agreed to replace the funds in a second settlement, but afterward threatened lawsuits and physical harm if the other parties did not meet his new, specific demands that were not stated in the settlement agreements.
- 5. After the beneficiaries met Respondent's demands, Respondent's threats escalated. Respondent sent Complainant threatening emails, typified by these (emphases added):

a) April 10, 2020

6:19 PM: "Hope you understood my demand. Because I don't think you understand the consequences of you failing to comply. You figure it out"

6:51 PM: "Thanks, but that should not hold you back from playing [sic, should say "paying"] my yard guy [to excavate cremation urn that Respondent hid from his siblings]."

7:04 p.m.: "Lynn was the one that demanded that stupid requirement. so now I reinforce my statement that you need to pay him immediately because I have already paid him. God you are really testing me and *I swear to God I will pay you back in spades* if you don't answer me."

7:08 p.m.: "Sorry but that's all I will take. You end this estate by the end of the week *or else I will follow through with the contracts that I have taken out against both you and Lynn's family*. I mean lawsuits of course."

7:10 p.m.: "I am not kidding even one little bit."

7:15 p.m.: "So this will be the end of things, and that would make me very happy."

7:31 p.m.: "Sorry but when it was my responsibility, there was no excuse. Therefore, I got none for you. End it or else"

b) April 24, 2020

12:33 AM: "Wow, I wonder why I wanted to have you closing the estate in a timely manner in our settlement agreement. How long has it been? Should the estate not be closed immediately I will be filing suit for breach of the settlement agreement forthwith."

12:44 AM: "And more importantly, should I ever hear from you again in any manner whatsoever other than to tell me that the estate is closed, I will come after you and my sisters FULL BORE."

3:36 PM: "[I] knew that you would expand the process as long as possible. Send me \$10,00.00 right now, or I will file suit against you. I will give you my bank account statement so that you can wire the money to me. Otherwise, I am going to sue you for the damages you have inflicted on me (approximately \$150,000), And I will pursue you to be disbarred. I have already started the process against you, and will continue it if you don't end this bullshit right now. Hope you have some other means Of income"

- c) April 28, 2020
 - 6:01 a.m.: "So sorry, but I think that tomorrow your family might be going to die. I hope I'm wrong."
- 6. Complainant contacted the Oracle Police Department regarding Respondent's threats and completed a police report. An officer in the police department told Respondent to refrain from contacting Complainant.

COUNT TWO (File no. 20-1129/Lynn Evans)

- 7. Complainant is Respondent's sister and alternate PR in their mother's probate case. She confirmed and reiterated her lawyer's charges in Count One, and added the charges stated below.
- 8. Respondent has seriously abused alcohol for a very long time. It caused the break-up of his marriage, the estrangement of his daughter, and the loss of his job with the law firm Russo Cox and Russo. Complainant tried to support him as the friend and sister she'd been since childhood but their mother's illness and death exacerbated the situation.
- 9. Their mother Nancy Burrows died in hospice in June 2017. Complainant had Mrs. Burrows's Medical Power of Attorney and was with her most days and nights until she died. Mrs. Burrows did not want anyone but family

to visit but one day Respondent showed up at 11:30 pm, after visiting hours, with his girlfriend whom their mother did not like, intoxicated.

- 10. The next day Respondent began bullying Complainant telling her what she was and was not allowed to do. Respondent grew more belligerent, calling Complainant when he was drunk, and berated her. Complainant refused to speak with Respondent further and told him to communicate, if at all, through her husband.
- 11. Complainant and Respondent have two older sisters. Respondent called a family meeting because he was the PR and explained that he could do anything he wanted with the estate. Respondent claimed the right to take anything he wanted, spend family money any way he wanted, and the sisters had no right to object. The sisters knew that Respondent had to provide accountings and inventories but he furnished none until two years later when they hired counsel (Complainant in Count One) and filed a petition.

12. According to Complainant, Respondent:

-"moved into our Mother's house and began renovating it without discussion and without paying my sisters for our portions of the house.

- -Steve began taking lavish trips; more than 6 the year after my Mother died. He took his fiancé everywhere and bought her a very large diamond engagement ring.
- -Steve and fiancé Terri began gambling heavily at the casinos, getting hotel rooms and dinners comped for being a high roller.
- -Our attorney did discover that Steve took in excess of \$200,000 of our estate funds that were to be inherited by the four of us. Per bank records and receipts, he was found to have used it to pay for the remodel, trips, gambling etc.
- -When it was time for Steve to pay up after he lost our lawsuit, his name was on my parents' grandchildren's college funds as fiduciary, and he refused to give my adult daughter her money to go to college. My husband and I had to cover tuition until my attorney once again got involved.
- -In the fall of 2019, at the 2.5 year point, I discovered that Steve once again stole all of the money out of the Estate fund bank account that is used to pay my Mother's taxes. Once again we had to file a lawsuit against him to obtain the return of the funds.
- -The judge stripped Steve of his title of PR and assigned me as PR.
- -In 5/20 Steve made death threats to both my attorney Jacquelyne Mingle and to my daughter's best friend, Kayleen Strong. Additionally he made mention to 'hiring a hit man'.
- -My purpose of filing this summary is to let the Bar Association know how ill Steve is with alcoholism and hope that he can get help. Additionally, he should never be allowed to handle a client's money again."

13. On June 13, 2020, Respondent responded to the State Bar:

- -Complainant's "made-up allegations" are ridiculous mainly because they aren't from her but, rather, from her husband Mark Evans.
- -Due to Complainant's medical condition she is not competent, and now she and Mark "are dredging up new damage claims" when the settlement agreements in the probate case, which have been fully performed by all parties, were intended to put all matters to rest."
- -Respondent claimed he could refute every allegation but didn't because "I simply don't wish to escalate this matter any further, or even give it the credit it does not deserve."
- -He offered to retire in exchange for dismissing Complainants' charges in Counts One and Two and keeping the cases confidential.

14. On June 18, 2020 Complainant replied to the State Bar:

- -Her medical condition is Lupus.
- -She does not have any competency issues.
- -She was an RN until 2012 and had to retire due to Lupus.
- -Respondent is seriously mentally ill.
- -Respondent is a compulsive liar which made the probate case unbelievably difficult, as they never knew what was true.
- -Respondent has character issues.
- -She doesn't believe Respondent will retire.

- -Respondent has a gambling addiction and Complainant doesn't think he ever should be permitted to handle client funds.
- -Respondent abuses alcohol and uses cocaine.
- -Complainant's friend went to Respondent's Palms Hotel room a few weeks earlier at 9:30 A.M. and Respondent was drunk and had cocaine in plain sight on a table).
- -Her two sisters support her complaint to the State Bar.
- -Complainant and her sisters, and Complainant in Count One, proved in the probate matter that Respondent stole from the estate.
- -Respondent harassed Ms. Mingle and said horrible things about her.
- -Complainant learned after becoming the PR that Respondent appeared at a Bank of America branch drunk and bullied the staff as an attorney to open an estate bank account without the Tax ID number.
- -Because Respondent is an attorney, their late parents allowed him to handle their financial affairs. The parents set aside funds for Complainant's daughter's college fund. When it came time for Respondent to release the funds, he didn't do so and withheld them for about a year this just to spite and control her and her husband.
- -Respondent absolutely hates her husband because he is physically bigger than Respondent, and because he is the head of communications for Pima County.

- 15. Kayleen Strong is best friends with Complainant's daughter. Ms. Strong became acquainted with Respondent because she dog sat for him. According to Ms. Strong, Respondent is a drunk and abandoned his dog. Ms. Strong adopted Respondent's dog after the 30-day legal waiting period threshold.
- 16. On approximately May 2, 2020, Respondent called Ms. Strong at least six times while drunk and threatened to kill her dog. Respondent appeared at Ms. Strong's home at night on May 2, 2020, drunk, and claimed she stole his dog. The Pima County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) was summoned and it dispatched deputies to Ms. Strong's home. Respondent argued with the PCSO deputies for about an hour before they persuaded Respondent to leave.
- 17. Later that night, Respondent called Ms. Strong and left a voicemail that he was going to kill her and her family. Respondent was arrested and is being prosecuted for violating A.R.S. §13-2921.A.1, Harassment by Communication, and A.R.S. §13-1202.A.1, Threats by Intimidation with Injury and Damage, in *State of Arizona v. Steven Burrows*, Pima County Justice Court CR20-005815.
- 18. In May 2020, Ms. Strong filed a court action for an Injunction Against Harassment (IAH) against Respondent. The court issued the IAH, forbidding Respondent to contact Ms. Strong. Respondent violated the IAH several times.

19. Respondent concedes that his behavior toward Complainants was inexcusable and unjustified, and in retrospect confused even him. He claims to have discovered fairly recently that he experienced an adverse reaction to a prescribed anti-depressant medication, Sertraline, with known side-effects of anxiety, aggression, insomnia, and impulsiveness. He claims to have experienced parasomnia (unusual physical sleep behavior and night terrors), symptoms from which he never suffered prior to taking this medication, and from which he has not suffered since he stopped taking it.

CONDITIONAL ADMISSIONS

Respondent's admissions are being tendered in exchange for the form of discipline stated below and are submitted freely and voluntarily and not as a result of coercion or intimidation. Respondent conditionally admits that he violated Rule 41(g) (in effect at the time of his conduct) (unprofessional conduct), and Rule 42, ERs 8.4(b) (criminal act) and 8.4(d) (prejudice to the administration of justice).

RESTITUTION

Restitution is not an issue in this matter. Respondent has abided by court orders in the underlying probate matter to account for funds.

SANCTION

Respondent and the State Bar of Arizona agree that based on the facts and circumstances of this matter, the sanction of a Suspension for two years is appropriate. If Respondent violates any of the terms of this agreement, the State Bar may bring further discipline proceedings.

LEGAL GROUNDS IN SUPPORT OF SANCTION

In determining an appropriate sanction, the parties consulted the American Bar Association's *Standards for Imposing Lawyer Sanctions (Standards)* pursuant to Rule 57(a)(2)(E). The *Standards* are designed to promote consistency in the imposition of sanctions by identifying relevant factors that courts should consider and then applying those factors to situations where lawyers have engaged in various types of misconduct. *Standards* 1.3, Commentary.

In determining an appropriate sanction the Court considers the duty violated, the lawyer's mental state, the actual or potential injury caused by the misconduct and the existence of aggravating and mitigating factors. *Standard* 3.0.

The duty violated

Respondent's conduct violated his duty to the legal profession, the legal system, and the public.

The lawyer's mental state

Respondent knowingly conducted himself in the manner described above.

The extent of the actual or potential injury

There was actual harm to the legal profession, the legal system and the public.

The parties agree that the following *Standards* apply:

Standard 7.1 - Disbarment is generally appropriate when a lawyer knowingly engages in conduct that is a violation of a duty owed as a professional with the intent to obtain a benefit for the lawyer or another, and causes serious or potentially serious injury to a client, the public, or the legal system.

Standard 5.12 - Suspension is generally appropriate when a lawyer knowingly engages in criminal conduct which does not contain the elements listed in Standard 5.11 and that seriously adversely reflects on the lawyer's fitness to practice.

Standard 6.21 - Disbarment is generally appropriate when a lawyer knowingly violates a court order or rule with the intent to obtain a benefit for the lawyer or another, and causes serious injury or potentially serious injury to a party or causes serious or potentially serious interference with a legal proceeding.

Aggravating and mitigating circumstances

The presumptive sanction for the most serious violations is disbarment. The

parties conditionally agree that the following aggravating and mitigating factors

should be considered:

In aggravation: Standard 9.22—

(b) dishonest or selfish motive;

(d) multiple offenses;

(i) substantial experience in the practice of law;

(k) illegal conduct

In mitigation: *Standard* 9.32—

(a) absence of a prior disciplinary record - In RE: Jack Levine, 174 Ariz. 146, 847 P.2d 1093 (1993) (a lack of discipline over a long career gets

considerable weight as a mitigating factor in bar proceedings);

(c) personal or emotional problems;

(e) full and free disclosure to disciplinary board or cooperative attitude

toward proceedings;

(1) remorse;

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Discussion

The parties conditionally agree that upon application of the aggravating and mitigating factors the presumptive sanction should be mitigated to a long-term suspension of two years. Although Respondent's behavior was egregious he has enjoyed a blemish-free career for 35 years, his misconduct occurred within a circumscribed time uncharacteristic of the life he led up to that point, he acted out in the context of a family legal matter that is a known trigger for internecine hostility, and he has stated that he no longer intends to practice law. Respondent's present intentions regarding a future law practice are of less importance, but if he changes his mind and chooses to practice law again he will have to apply for reinstatement through a formal reinstatement hearing and prove rehabilitation from the weaknesses that caused his misconduct. Hence, the public is adequately protected by imposition of a sanction mitigated from the presumptive disbarment. Based on the Standards and in light of the facts and circumstances of this matter, the parties conditionally agree that the sanction set forth above is within the range of appropriate sanction and will serve the purposes of lawyer discipline.

CONCLUSION

The object of lawyer discipline is not to punish the lawyer, but to protect the

public, the profession and the administration of justice. In re Peasley, 208 Ariz. 27

(2004). Recognizing that determination of the appropriate sanction is the

prerogative of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, the State Bar and Respondent

believe that the objectives of discipline will be met by imposition of a two-year

suspension and the assessment of costs and expenses. A proposed form of order is

attached hereto as Exhibit B.

DATED this $\underline{12^{th}}$ day of April, 2021.

STATE BAR OF ARIZONA

David L. Sandweiss

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Senior Bar Counsel

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This agreement, with conditional admissions, is submitted freely and voluntarily and not under coercion or intimidation. I acknowledge my duty under the Rules of the Supreme Court with respect to discipline and reinstatement. I understand these duties may include notification of clients, return of property and other rules pertaining to suspension.

DATED this day of	, 2021.
	Steven M. Burrows
	Respondent

Approved as to form and content

Maret Vessella
Maret Vessella
Chief Bar Counsel

Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk of the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona this 12th day of April, 2021.

Copy of the foregoing emailed this <u>12th</u> day of April, 2021, to:

Steven M. Burrows Steve Burrows, Esq. 1434 De Nada Green Valley, Arizona 85622 Email: sblaw123@gmail.com Respondent This agreement, with conditional admissions, is submitted freely and voluntarily and not under coercion or intimidation. I acknowledge my duty under the Rules of the Supreme Court with respect to discipline and reinstatement. I understand these duties may include notification of clients, return of property and other rules pertaining to suspension.

DATED this 21 day of April, 2021. Steven M. Burrows Respondent Approved as to form and content Maret Vessella Chief Bar Counsel Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk of the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona this day of ______, 2021. Copy of the foregoing emailed this _____ day of ______, 2021, to: Steven M. Burrows Steve Burrows, Esq. 1434 De Nada

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EXHIBIT A

Statement of Costs and Expenses

In the Matter of a Member of the State Bar of Arizona, Steven M. Burrows, Bar No. 010176, Respondent

File Nos. 20-1024 and 20-1129

Administrative Expenses

The Supreme Court of Arizona has adopted a schedule of administrative expenses to be assessed in lawyer discipline. If the number of charges/complainants exceeds five, the assessment for the general administrative expenses shall increase by 20% for each additional charge/complainant where a violation is admitted or proven.

Factors considered in the administrative expense are time expended by staff bar counsel, paralegal, secretaries, typists, file clerks and messenger; and normal postage charges, telephone costs, office supplies and all similar factors generally attributed to office overhead. As a matter of course, administrative costs will increase based on the length of time it takes a matter to proceed through the adjudication process.

General Administrative Expenses for above-numbered proceedings

\$1,200.00

Additional costs incurred by the State Bar of Arizona in the processing of this disciplinary matter, and not included in administrative expenses, are itemized below.

Additional Costs

5/29/20	Computer investigation reports (Accurint)	\$	23.48
Total for ac	dditional costs	<u>\$</u>	23.48
TOTAL CO	OSTS AND EXPENSES INCURRED	\$1	.223.48

EXHIBIT B

BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,

STEVEN M. BURROWS, Bar No. 010176, PDJ 2021-9014

FINAL JUDGMENT AND ORDER

State Bar Nos. 20-1024 and 20-1129

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge of the Supreme Court of Arizona, having reviewed the Agreement for Discipline by Consent pursuant to Rule 57(a), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., accepts the parties' proposed agreement.

Accordingly:

IT IS ORDERED that Respondent, **Steven M. Burrows**, is Suspended for two (2) years for his conduct in violation of the Arizona Rules of Professional Conduct, as outlined in the consent documents, effective 30 days from the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, upon reinstatement, Respondent shall be subject to any terms imposed as a result of reinstatement hearings held.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 72, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., Respondent shall immediately comply with the requirements relating to notification of clients and others. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent pay the costs and expenses of the State Bar of Arizona in the amount of \$ _____, within 30 days from the date of service of this Order. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall pay the costs and expenses incurred by the disciplinary clerk and/or Presiding Disciplinary Judge's Office in connection with these disciplinary proceedings in the amount of _____, within 30 days from the date of service of this Order. **DATED** this ______ day of _______, 2021. William J. O'Neil, Presiding Disciplinary Judge

Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk of the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge

of the Supreme Court of Arizona this _____ day of _____, 2021.

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STEVEN M. BURROWS, Bar No. 010176

Respondent.

PDJ 2021-9014

DECISION ACCEPTING DISCIPLINE BY CONSENT

[State Bar Nos. 20-1024, 20-1129]

FILED APRIL 21, 2021

Under Rule 57(a), Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., an Agreement for Discipline by Consent was filed on April 12, 2021. The formal complaint was filed on March 17, 2021. The State Bar of Arizona is represented by Senior Bar Counsel David L. Sandweiss. Mr. Burrows is self-represented.

Rule 57 requires admissions be tendered solely "...in exchange for the stated form of discipline...." Under that rule, the right to an adjudicatory hearing is waived only if the "...conditional admission and proposed form of discipline is approved...." If the agreement is not accepted, those conditional admissions are automatically withdrawn and shall not be used against the parties in any subsequent proceeding. Mr. Burrows has voluntarily waived the right to an adjudicatory hearing, and waived all motions, defenses, objections or requests that could be asserted upon approval of the proposed form of discipline.

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¹ Unless otherwise stated rule references are to the Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

The Agreement details a factual basis to support the conditional admissions. It is incorporated by this reference. Mr. Burrows admits he violated former Rule 41(g) (unprofessional conduct), and Rule 42, ERs 8.4(b) (commit a criminal act) and 8.4(d) conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice). As a sanction, the parties agree to a 2-year suspension and the payment of costs within 30 days.

The parties stipulate that Mr. Burrows was involved in a family probate matter. He was appointed as the personal representative in his mother's estate. During that time, he misappropriated funds and was ultimately removed by the Court as personal representative. The Court divided estate funds to remedy Mr. Burrows' self-dealing. Mr. Burrows further threatened to file lawsuits and threatened physical harm if his demands were not met by the other beneficiaries. He was arrested for violating A.R.S. § 13-2921, *Harassment by Communication* and A.R.S. § 13-1202.A.1, *Threats by Intimidation with Injury and Damage*.

The parties stipulate Mr. Burrows knowingly violated his duty to the legal profession, the legal system, and the public causing actual harm to all three.

The presumptive sanction is disbarment under ABA *Standards* 7.1 *Violations of Other Duties Owed as a Professional* and 6.21 *Abuse of the legal Process*. The parties stipulate to the presence of aggravating factors 9.22(b) (dishonest or selfish motive), (d) multiple offenses, (i) substantial experience in the practice of law, and (k) illegal conduct and mitigating factors 9.32(a) absence of prior disciplinary record, (c) personal

or emotional problems, (e) full and free disclosure and (l) remorse. The parties further stipulate that a reduction in the presumptive sanction is justified based on the mitigating factors present and because Mr. Burros no longer intends to practice law.

IT IS ORDERED accepting the Agreement and incorporating it with any supporting documents by this reference. A final judgment and order is signed this date.

DATED this 21st day of April 2021.

William J. O'Neil

William J. O'Neil, Presiding Disciplinary Judge

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STEVEN M. BURROWS, Bar No. 010176

Respondent.

PDJ 2021-9014

FINAL JUDGMENT AND ORDER

[State Bar Nos. 20-1024 and 20-1129]

FILED APRIL 21, 2021

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge accepted the parties' agreement for discipline by consent submitted pursuant to Rule 57, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

Accordingly:

IT IS ORDERED Respondent, STEVEN M. BURROWS, Bar No. 010176 is suspended from the practice of law for two (2) years for his conduct in violation of the Arizona Rules of Professional Conduct, as outlined in the consent documents, effective May 21, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED upon reinstatement Mr. Burrows shall be subject to any terms imposed as a result of reinstatement hearings held.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Burrows shall comply with the requirements of Rule 72, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Mr. Burrows shall pay the costs and expenses of the State Bar of Arizona in the amount of \$1,223.48, by May 21, 2021. There are no costs or expenses incurred by the Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge in these proceedings.

DATED this 21^{sr} day of April 2021.

William J. O'Neil

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