

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF  
DOUGLAS J. ALLEN, ESQ.

No. 48465

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ORDER OF DISBARMENT BY CONSENT

The Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board has filed, under SCR 112, a petition for attorney Douglas J. Allen's disbarment by consent. The petition is supported by Allen's affidavit, stating that he freely and voluntarily consents to disbarment, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Allen acknowledges in the affidavit that he violated SCR 78.5 (maintenance of trust account) by failing to maintain a separate trust account for client and third-party funds, and that he violated Nevada Rule of Professional Conduct (RPC) 1.2 (scope of representation), RPC 1.4 (communication), RPC 1.15 (safekeeping property), RPC 3.3 (candor toward the tribunal), RPC 3.4 (fairness to opposing party and counsel), RPC 4.1 (truthfulness in statements to others), RPC 8.1 (bar admission and disciplinary matters), and RPC 8.4(c) (conduct involving misrepresentation, dishonesty, fraud or deceit), by settling cases without his clients' consent, misrepresenting to clients the status of their cases, forging clients' names to settlement documents, misappropriating settlement funds, failing to appear for hearings and responding only sporadically, and in some instances falsely, to the state bar's many requests for information concerning the grievances against him. Allen admits that he could not successfully defend against a disciplinary complaint.



SCR 112 provides that an attorney who is the subject of a proceeding involving allegations of misconduct may consent to disbarment by delivering an affidavit to the appropriate disciplinary board, which must file it with this court. Allen's affidavit meets the requirements of SCR 112(1), and we conclude that the petition should be granted. Accordingly, Allen is disbarred. The provisions of SCR 115 and SCR 121.1 governing notice and publication of orders of disbarment shall apply to this order.

It is so ORDERED.

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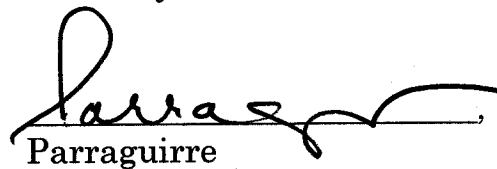
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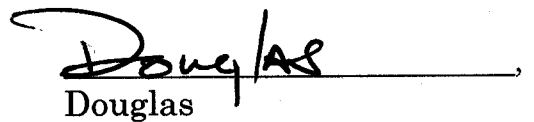
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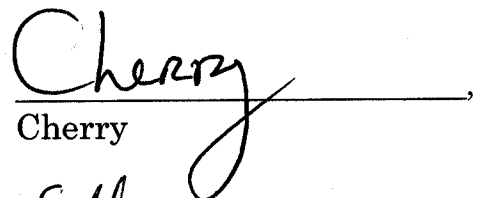
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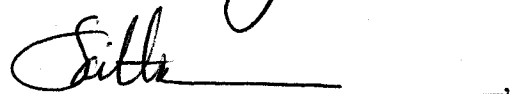
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