IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF DANIEL J. HILL, BAR NO. 12773

No. 63592

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ORDER DECLINING TO IMPOSE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

This is a petition by bar counsel pursuant to SCR 111(4) concerning attorney Daniel Hill, related to Hill's conviction in Las Vegas Justice Court, pursuant to a *nolo contendere* plea, of first-offense driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor in violation of NRS 484C.110 and 484C.400. See SCR 111(1). Hill timely informed bar counsel of his conviction. See SCR 111(2).

A first-offense driving under the influence conviction is not listed as a "serious" crime in SCR 111(6) and is thus not the type of crime that requires automatic temporary suspension and referral to a disciplinary board. SCR 111(8). Therefore, whether to temporarily suspend and refer is at the discretion of this court. SCR 111(9).

The gravity of drinking and driving cannot be minimized; however, first-offense misdemeanor driving under the influence is not the type of offense for which professional discipline is typically imposed. See 2 Geoffrey C. Hazard, Jr. & W. William Hodes, The Law of Lawyering § 65.4 (3d ed. Supp. 2009); In the Matter of Respondent I, 2 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 260, 266 n.6, 272 (Rev. Dept. 1993). Accordingly, having considered

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the petition and the supporting documentation related to this conviction, we conclude that Hill's offense does not warrant the imposition of a temporary suspension or referral to the disciplinary board at this time.

It is so ORDERED.

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