

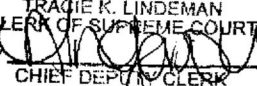
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF  
LAWRENCE J. SEMENZA, II, BAR NO.  
789.

No. 67374

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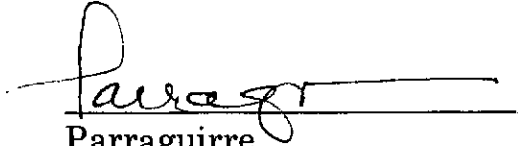
*ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION AND  
REFERRAL TO DISCIPLINARY BOARD*

Bar counsel for the State Bar of Nevada has petitioned this court, pursuant to SCR 111, to enter an order temporarily suspending attorney Lawrence J. Semenza, II, from the practice of law and referring him to the appropriate board for discipline. The petition is supported by copies of documents indicating that Semenza pleaded guilty, in the United States District Court, District of Nevada, to violating three misdemeanor counts of willful failure to file a tax return under 26 U.S.C. §7203.

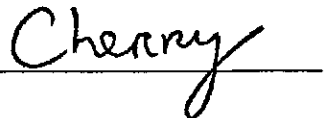
Pursuant to SCR 111, temporary suspension and referral to the appropriate disciplinary board are mandatory when an attorney has been convicted of a “serious” crime, which includes “any crime less than a felony a necessary element of which is . . . [a] willful failure to file an income tax return.” SCR 111(6)-(8). Having reviewed the petition and the supporting documentation submitted by bar counsel, we conclude that the petition conclusively establishes Semenza’s conviction of a serious crime. Accordingly, we temporarily suspend Semenza from the practice of law and refer this matter to the Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board for the

initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings in which the sole issue to be determined is the extent of discipline to be imposed. SCR 111(7), (8).

It is so ORDERED.

 J.  
Parraguirre

 J.  
Douglas

 J.  
Cherry

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