

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN RE: DISCIPLINE OF JOHN J.
KOZLOWSKI.

No. 39254

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BY *J. Richards*
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

ORDER DISMISSING PETITION FOR RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE

On February 27, 2002, the state bar filed this petition for reciprocal discipline based on a California discipline order against a John J. Kozlowski,¹ and served Joseph J. Kozlowski, Esq., an attorney licensed in Nevada and Illinois, at his residence in Illinois. The state bar apparently believed that the disciplined California attorney and Joseph J. Kozlowski, Esq., were the same person. The next day, the state bar apparently realized its error and filed, by fax, a motion to withdraw the petition. We note that the motion contained no apology either to Mr. Kozlowski or to this court for the mistake. Mr. Kozlowski submitted a letter in response to the petition, in which he expressed his insult and anger. It is most regrettable that this error has occurred.

Mr. Kozlowski was admitted to the Nevada bar in 1995 and was admitted to the Illinois and District of Columbia bars in 1950. He is not a member of the California bar. His disciplinary record in this state is

¹The roll of Nevada attorneys shows no such person as being licensed in this state.

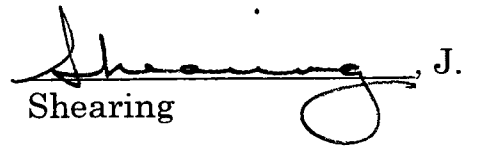
spotless, and there is no evidence whatsoever that any disciplinary proceeding has ever been instituted against him in any jurisdiction.

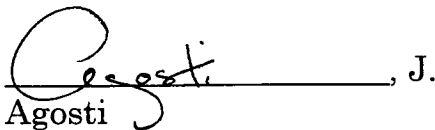
Accordingly, the petition shall be deemed withdrawn, as if it had never been filed. We admonish the state bar for its lack of diligence in investigating this matter, and we direct the state bar and bar counsel to immediately issue a letter of apology to Joseph J. Kozlowski, Esq., and to submit a copy of the letter to this court within ten days.

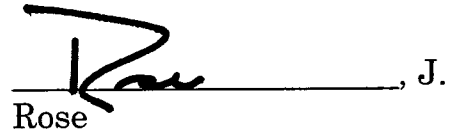
It is so ORDERED.


Maupin, C.J.
Maupin


Young, J.
Young


Shearing, J.
Shearing


Agosti, J.
Agosti


Rose, J.
Rose


Leavitt, J.
Leavitt


Becker, J.
Becker

cc: Rob W. Bare, Bar Counsel
Allen W. Kimbrough, Executive Director
Joseph J. Kozlowski