

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN RE: DISCIPLINE OF LESLIE MARK
STOVALL.

No. 42758

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ORDER APPROVING CONDITIONAL GUILTY PLEA
IN EXCHANGE FOR STATED FORM OF DISCIPLINE
AND ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

A Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board hearing panel has recommended that we approve a conditional guilty plea in exchange for a stated form of discipline under SCR 113 for Leslie Mark Stovall. In particular, the plea agreement provides for a two-year suspension, effective from the date of Stovall's temporary suspension under SCR 111, January 24, 2002. The state bar and Stovall stipulated that Stovall's disciplinary proceeding would be combined with a reinstatement hearing under SCR 116, and that Stovall should be immediately reinstated. The hearing panel unanimously approved the agreement.

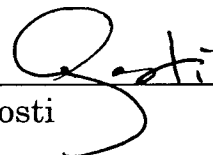
Stovall was convicted in November 2001 of filing a false tax return, a felony. He was temporarily suspended under SCR 111, governing suspension of attorneys convicted of crimes, in January 2002. In early 2004, Stovall and the state bar entered into a written conditional guilty plea agreement under SCR 113. Under its terms, Stovall agreed to plead guilty to a violation of SCR 203(2) (commission of a criminal act that adversely reflects on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer). The agreement provides for a two-year suspension, running from January 24, 2002, the effective date of Stovall's SCR 111 temporary suspension. In addition, Stovall and the state bar stipulated that the agreement would be presented at a hearing encompassing both a

disciplinary proceeding and a reinstatement proceeding under SCR 116, and that if the panel and this court approved the agreement, then Stovall would be immediately reinstated. Finally, Stovall agreed to pay \$5,000 in costs for the combined proceedings.


Having reviewed the record, we conclude that the agreement should be approved in its entirety. Accordingly, Stovall is suspended for two years, effective January 24, 2002, and ending January 24, 2004. He shall pay costs in the amount of \$5,000.¹ Finally, Stovall is hereby reinstated to the practice of law.


It is so ORDERED.²


_____, C.J.
Shearing


_____, J.
Agosti


_____, J.
Maupin


_____, J.
Rose


_____, J.
Gibbons

¹The record indicates that Stovall has already paid this amount.

²Justice Leavitt having died in office on January 9, 2004, this matter was decided by a six-justice court.

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