

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF  
KELLY O. SLADE, BAR NO. 1727.

No. 66712 TRACIE K. LINDEMAN  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY: *[Signature]*  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

*ORDER APPROVING CONDITIONAL GUILTY PLEA AGREEMENT*

This is an automatic review of a conditional guilty plea agreement in exchange for a stated form of discipline pursuant to SCR 113 involving attorney Kelly O. Slade. A Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board hearing panel recommended this court approve the agreement. In the agreement, Slade admitted to violating RPC 1.4 (communication), RPC 1.15 (safekeeping property), RPC 5.3 (responsibilities regarding nonlawyer assistants), RPC 5.4 (professional independence of a lawyer), RPC 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law), PRC 7.1 (communications concerning a lawyer's services), and RPC 8.4(b) (misconduct).

In exchange for his conditional guilty plea, Slade agreed to be suspended from the practice of law for six months and one day. As a precondition to a petition for reinstatement, he agreed to pay restitution to Michel Rantissi of \$25,000, or to provide evidence that Rantissi has been otherwise reimbursed. In addition, Slade agreed to reimburse any funds that may be distributed by the Nevada State Bar's Client Security Fund on his behalf. *See* SCR 116.

Having reviewed the record of the disciplinary proceedings and the attached exhibits, we accept the conditional guilty plea

agreement. See SCR 113(1); *In re Kenick*, 100 Nev. 273, 680 P.2d 972 (1984). Accordingly, Slade is suspended for six months and one day.<sup>1</sup> Should he decide to seek reinstatement, Slade shall provide evidence of restitution to Michel Rantissi and of reimbursement of any funds distributed on his behalf by the State Bar Client Security Fund. See SCR 116. Slade shall also pay the costs of the disciplinary proceedings within 30 days of receipt of the State Bar's bill of costs. See SCR 120(1). The parties shall comply with the applicable provisions of SCR 115 and SCR 121.1.

It is so ORDERED.

Hardesty, C.J.  
Hardesty

Parraguirre, J.  
Parraguirre

Douglas, J.  
Douglas

Cherry, J.  
Cherry

Saitta, J.  
Saitta

Gibbons, J.  
Gibbons

Pickering, J.  
Pickering

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<sup>1</sup>We note that Slade is currently suspended for failure to pay his State Bar Membership dues. The suspension imposed in this order is separate from and in addition to Slade's dues suspension; the suspension imposed here shall not begin until Slade has resolved his dues suspension. See SCR 98(13).

cc: Jeffrey R. Albregts, Chair, Southern Nevada Disciplinary Panel  
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