May 18, 2023

Disciplinary Board

Docket # 083

## DISCIPLINARY BOARD WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

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In re

Colleen A. Hartl,

Lawyer (WSBA No.18051)

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Proceeding No. 21#00031

DISCIPLINARY BOARD ORDER ADOPTING HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION

This matter came before the Disciplinary Board (Board) at its May 5, 2023 meeting, on Respondent's appeal of Hearing Officer Timothy J. O'Connell's Findings Of Fact and Conclusions Of Law and Recommendation of Hearing Officer, recommending 21-month suspension, following a hearing.

The Board reviews the hearing officer's finding of fact for substantial evidence. The Board reviews conclusions of law and sanction recommendations de novo. Evidence not presented to the hearing officer or panel cannot be considered by the Board. ELC 11.12(b).

Having reviewed the materials submitted, and considered the applicable case law and rules;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the Hearing Officer's decision is adopted 1

Dated this 17th day of May, 2023

Virginia Paige Pratter, WSBA #40211 Disciplinary Board Chair

The vote on this matter was 7-5. Those voting to adopt the hearing officer's decision as written were: Pratter, Devenport, Koch, Marsh, Wolfe, Severson, and Overby. Brangwin voted to modify the findings of fact. Hayes, Atreya, and Brangwin voted to modify the conclusions of law to add mitigating factors. Sanders, Hayes, Atreya, Tindell, and Brangwin voted to modify the sanction recommendation to a shorter length suspension. Jones and Ildbaatar did not participate.

I certify that I caused a copy of the <u>DB Order Adopting HO's Decision</u> to be emailed to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel and to Respondent Colleen A. Hartl, at <u>colleen.ann.hartl@gmail.com</u>, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

Clerk to the Disciplinary Board