

FILE NO. A14-1602

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

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In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action  
against ALBERT B. BEETY,  
a Minnesota Attorney,  
Registration No. 6154.  
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**STIPULATION  
FOR DISCIPLINE**

THIS STIPULATION is entered into by and between Martin A. Cole, Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, hereinafter Director, and Albert B. Beety, attorney, hereinafter respondent.

WHEREAS, respondent has concluded it is in respondent's best interest to enter into this stipulation,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the undersigned as follows:

1. Pursuant to the Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (RLPR), the parties agree to dispense with further proceedings under Rule 14, RLPR, and respondent agrees to the immediate disposition of this matter by the Minnesota Supreme Court under Rule 15, RLPR.

2. Respondent understands this stipulation, when filed, will be of public record.

3. It is understood that respondent has certain rights pursuant to Rule 14, RLPR. Respondent waives these rights, which include the right to a hearing before a referee on the petition; to have the referee make findings and conclusions and a recommended disposition; to contest such findings and conclusions; and to a hearing before the Supreme Court upon the record, briefs and arguments.

4. Respondent withdraws the answer filed herein and admits the allegations of the petition. Respondent states, however, that he was on leave from Best Buy from August 2003 until August 2005 and that upon his return to Best Buy, the work he did

was work that did not require a law license. While the Director does not concede that respondent's post-2005 work at Best Buy was not the unauthorized practice of law, respondent's admission that he engaged in the unauthorized practice of law while employed at Best Buy from 1994 through August 2003 establishes a sufficient basis for the imposition of the discipline recommended below.

5. Respondent understands that based upon these admissions, this Court may impose any of the sanctions set forth in Rule 15(a)(1) - (9), RLPR, including making any disposition it deems appropriate. Respondent understands that by entering into this stipulation, the Director is not making any representations as to the sanctions the Court will impose.

6. The Director and respondent join in recommending that:

a. The appropriate discipline is a 60-day suspension pursuant to Rule 15, RLPR, effective on the date of the Court's suspension order;

b. The reinstatement hearing provided for in Rule 18(a) through (d), RLPR, be waived;

c. Respondent be required to successfully complete the professional responsibility portion of the state bar examination within one year of the date of the Court's order;

d. Respondent comply with Rule 26, RLPR;

e. Respondent pay \$900 in costs pursuant to Rule 24(a), RLPR; and

f. Respondent be reinstated following the expiration of the suspension provided that at least 15 days before the expiration of the suspension period, respondent files an affidavit with the Clerk of Appellate Courts and the Director's Office establishing that respondent is current with Continuing Legal Education, has complied with the reinstatement provisions of Rule 2(I), Rules of the Supreme Court on Lawyer Registration, has fully complied with Rules 24 and 26, RLPR, and has satisfactorily completed all other conditions imposed by the Court in its decision.

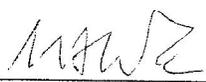
7. This stipulation is entered into by respondent freely and voluntarily, without any coercion, duress or representations by any person except as contained herein.

8. Respondent hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of this stipulation.

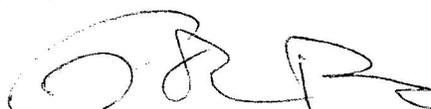
9. Respondent has been advised of the right to be represented herein by an attorney but has freely chosen to appear *pro se*.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties executed this stipulation on the dates indicated below.

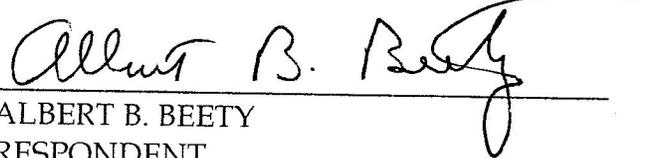
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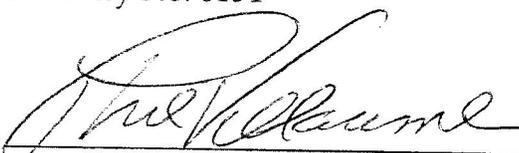
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