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STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action against BRUCE C. BROMANDER, a Minnesota Attorney, Registration No. 11800.	**PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

The Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, hereinafter Director, files this petition upon the parties' agreement pursuant to Rules 10(a) and 12(a), Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility. The Director alleges:

The above-named attorney, hereinafter respondent, was admitted to practice law in Minnesota on April 15, 1977. Respondent currently practices law in New Brighton, Minnesota.

Respondent has committed the following unprofessional conduct warranting public discipline:

DISCIPLINARY HISTORY

1. In 2003 respondent was issued an admonition for failing to act with reasonable diligence in representing a client and for failing to keep a client adequately informed as to the status of a matter, in violation of Rules 1.3 and 1.4 of the Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct (MRPC).

FIRST COUNT

1. On March 4, 2005, the Board of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) mailed to respondent a letter stating that he had missed his deadline to comply with his CLE requirements.

2. On March 28, 2005, the Board of CLE mailed to respondent a letter titled "Notice of Non-Compliance," further stating that his name would be submitted to the Minnesota Supreme Court to be placed on involuntary restricted status.

3. Respondent was stricken from the rolls of attorneys on May 9, 2005, on the grounds that he had not submitted a certification that he had completed the required CLE credits. Prior to being stricken from the rolls, respondent was aware that he had not completed such certification.

4. On September 12, 2005, respondent signed an employment contract with Robert Half International, Inc. ("Robert Half"). Within that contract, he stated that he was a licensed attorney in good standing with the State of Minnesota. This statement was false or misleading, as respondent was still on restricted status.

5. On September 12, 2005, respondent submitted a résumé to Robert Half Legal, Inc. That résumé contained a statement that respondent was licensed in the State of Minnesota. This statement was misleading, as respondent was still on restricted status.

6. In his assignment for Robert Half, between September 15, 2005, and October 16, 2006, respondent performed duties which are traditionally performed by attorneys in the field of transactional real estate, including the drafting of reciprocal easement operation agreements, drafting of opinions of borrowers' counsel, and drafting loan documents. This work was provided to a law firm through a contract with Robert Half. During this entire time period, respondent remained on restricted status.

7. Respondent was hired by the same law firm as a staff attorney on October 16, 2006. During the time he was employed by that firm, he performed duties which are traditionally performed by attorneys. This work included signing two civil complaints on behalf of the firm's clients. During the entire period of his employment, respondent remained on restricted status.

8. While working for the law firm, respondent signed two complaints to be filed with the court. One of those complaints, filed on January 4, 2007, was rejected by the clerk on the grounds that respondent was on restricted status. That complaint was returned to the firm on January 8, 2007. The second complaint, filed on December 6, 2006, was accepted by the court clerk.

9. Respondent did not promptly notify his client or any firm personnel that the January 4, 2007, complaint had been rejected.

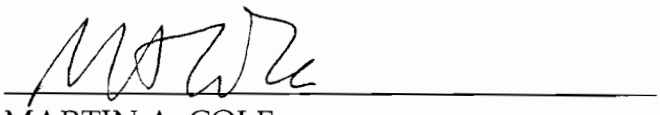
10. On January 29, 2007, after being asked why the January 4, 2007, complaint did not appear in the court records system, respondent notified firm personnel that he was on restricted status. His communication with his employer is memorialized in an e-mail message dated January 29, 2007. Respondent's employment was terminated on January 29, 2007.

11. Respondent was reinstated in March 2007.

12. Respondent's conduct, in that he practiced law while on restricted status, and made false or misleading statements regarding the status of his license to practice law, violated Rules 5.5(a), 5.5(b)(2), and 8.4(c), MRPC.

WHEREFORE, the Director respectfully prays for an order of this Court imposing appropriate discipline, awarding costs and disbursements pursuant to the Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility, and for such other, further or different relief as may be just and proper.

Dated: April 29, 2008.



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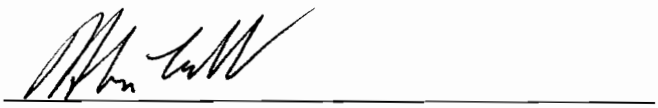

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