

FILE NO. A12-0878  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
IN SUPREME COURT

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In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action  
against PATRICK CHRISTOPHER BURNS,  
a Minnesota Attorney,  
Registration No. 307890.  
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**STIPULATION  
FOR DISCIPLINE**

WHEREAS, a hearing on the Director's May 11, 2012, petition for disciplinary action was held before Supreme Court Referee David E. Christensen on September 13 and 14, 2012, in St. Paul, Minnesota,

WHEREAS, Referee Christensen filed with this Court the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation for discipline dated October 25, 2012,

WHEREAS, neither the Director nor the respondent has ordered a transcript of the hearing,

WHEREAS, the Director and respondent agree that the referee's recommendation for discipline is appropriate,

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

1. The Director and respondent hereby waive briefing and oral argument to the Supreme Court.
2. The Director and respondent hereby stipulate that the referee's findings of fact and conclusions of law are conclusive.
3. Respondent understands that based upon this stipulation, this Court may impose any of the sanctions set forth in Rule 15(a)(1) - (9), Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility (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.

4. The Director and respondent join in recommending the discipline recommended by Referee Christensen, namely that respondent be publicly reprimanded and pay \$900 in costs plus \$1,910.06 in disbursements.

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

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

7. Respondent has been advised by the undersigned counsel concerning this stipulation and these proceedings generally.

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

Dated: Oct. 31, 2012.

  
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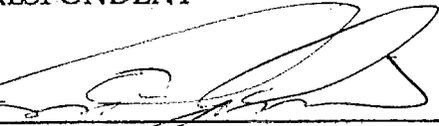
Dated: October 31, 2012.

  
CASSIE HANSON  
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Dated: 11-2, 2012.

  
PATRICK CHRISTOPHER BURNS  
RESPONDENT

Dated: 11/14/12, 2012.

  
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