

FILE NO. _____

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

In Re Petition for Disciplinary
Action against ALFRED AARON GRIFFIN,
a Minnesota Attorney,
Registration No. 32964.

**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 Alfred A. Griffin, 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 unconditionally admits the allegations of the petition. Respondent and the Director further stipulate as follows:

a. On February 29, 2012, respondent's counsel contacted the Director and subsequently sought and obtained from the assigned Panel Chair an extension of time in which to submit an answer to the February 6, 2012, charges of unprofessional conduct. On March 13, 2012, respondent, through counsel, submitted his answer to the charges of unprofessional conduct.

b. Since February 29, 2012, respondent, through counsel, has communicated and cooperated with the Director in the present disciplinary matter.

c. By order of the Supreme Court, dated April 10, 2012, respondent was reinstated to active status as an attorney licensed to practice law.

d. Respondent provided information to the Director outlining certain family-related issues which respondent reported to the Director created significant stress in his personal and professional life at and preceding the time of the misconduct set forth above. Respondent further reported to the Director that he has experienced medical problems and underwent surgery in December of 2011 due, at least in part, to the stress in his personal life.

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, followed by two years' unsupervised probation, pursuant to Rule 15, RLPR, effective 14 days from 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 this Court's order;

d. Respondent comply with Rule 26, RLPR;

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

f. Respondent shall cooperate fully with the Director's Office in its efforts to monitor compliance with this probation and promptly respond to the Director's correspondence by the due date. Respondent shall provide to the Director a current mailing address and shall immediately notify the Director of any change of address. Respondent shall cooperate with the Director's investigation of any allegations of unprofessional conduct which may come to the Director's attention. Upon the Director's request, respondent shall provide authorization for release of information and documentation to verify compliance with the terms of this probation.

b. Respondent shall abide by the Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct.

g. Respondent be reinstated following the expiration of the suspension provided that at least two weeks 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 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.

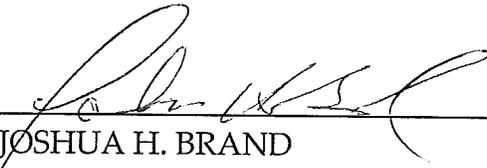
8. Respondent hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of this stipulation.
9. Respondent hereby admits service of the petition for disciplinary action.
10. Respondent has been advised by the undersigned counsel concerning this stipulation and these proceedings generally.

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

Dated: June 25, 2012.


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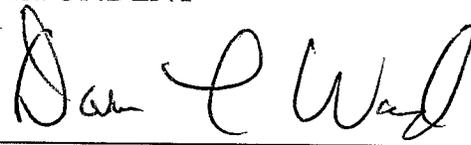
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