

FILE NO. _____

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action
against TIMOTHY JOSEPH KLIMA,
a Minnesota Attorney,
Registration No. 202885.

**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 seeking reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 12(d), Rules on Lawyers Professional Responsibility. The Director alleges:

The above-named attorney, hereinafter respondent, was admitted to practice law in Minnesota on October 27, 1989. Respondent currently practices law in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Respondent's law license in Minnesota was suspended on April 1, 2005, for non-payment of attorney registration fees. Respondent is admitted to active practice in the District of Columbia, Iowa, and the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

On January 3, 2014, respondent was publicly disciplined by the Iowa Supreme Court. As more fully set forth in that court's order attached hereto as Exhibit 1, the basis for this discipline was violation of Iowa Rules of Professional Conduct 32:1.4(a)(2) and (b) (requiring lawyers to reasonably consult with clients about the means by which the client's objectives are to be accomplished and to explain matters to clients to the extent reasonably necessary to make informed decisions regarding the representation), and 32:8.4(a) (prohibiting lawyers from assisting other lawyers in violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct). These violations arose out of respondent's assisting an associate in his firm in the drafting of a will that left respondent a substantial gift and

the failure to explain to the client the conflict inherent in including such a gift in a will drafted by a member of respondent's firm, the implications of the gift, and the client's need for independent counsel.

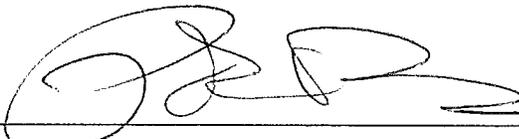
WHEREFORE, the Director respectfully prays for an order of this Court imposing the identical discipline of a public reprimand upon respondent.

Dated: July 24, 2014.



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