

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

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In Re Petition for Disciplinary Action  
against STEVEN F. SORONOW,  
a Minnesota Attorney,  
Registration No. 298748.  
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**STIPULATION  
FOR DISCIPLINE**

THIS STIPULATION is entered into by and between Kenneth L. Jorgensen, Director of the Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility, hereinafter Director, and Steven Fred Soronow<sup>1</sup>, 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. The Director withdraws the July 14, 2004, petition previously filed herein. Respondent hereby admits service of the Director's December 28, 2004, amended and supplemental petition for disciplinary action, which is being filed with this stipulation.

4. It is understood that respondent has the right to have allegations of Count Two of the petition approved by a Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board Panel

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<sup>1</sup> Respondent is incorrectly identified as Steven Ford Soronow in the Court's September 18, 2002, Order. Attorney registration records were inaccurate at that time, but have subsequently been corrected to respondent's true name.

Chair prior to the filing of a petition for disciplinary action, as set forth in Rule 10(e), RLPR. Pursuant to Rule 10(a), RLPR, respondent agrees to the immediate filing of the amended and supplemental petition for disciplinary action, hereinafter petition, in the Minnesota Supreme Court.

5. 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 amended and supplemental 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.

6. Respondent withdraws his September 21, 2004, answer to the petition and admits the allegations of the amended and supplemental petition, except that respondent denies sending the e-mail as alleged in ¶ 4. The parties are unable to trace the e-mail in ¶ 4 because when it was produced by A.Y., it had no extended headers to show its origin or routing. In addition, the original e-mail and other information needed for tracing it cannot be obtained from the Internet Service Provider, since this information is retained by them for only 90 days.

7. 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.

8. The Director and respondent join in recommending that the appropriate discipline is that respondent's current suspension from the practice of law be extended indefinitely for a minimum of thirty (30) months from the date of the Court's Order, pursuant to Rule 15, RLPR, and pay costs in the amount of \$900 pursuant to Rule 24(d), RLPR. All other conditions for respondent's reinstatement imposed by the Court previously shall remain in effect.

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

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

11. 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.

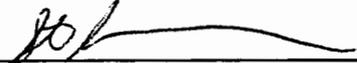
Dated: December 28, 2004.

  
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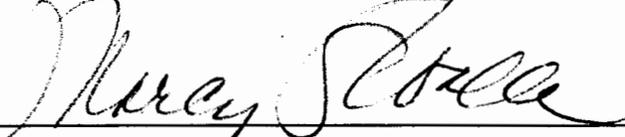
Dated: December 28, 2004.

  
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Dated: JANUARY 6, 2004.

  
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RESPONDENT

Dated: December 29, 2004

  
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