

STATE OF VERMONT  
JUDICIAL CONDUCT BOARD

In re: Hon. William Cobb    )  
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Docket No: 22.040

ANSWER TO PETITION

NOW COMES William W. Cobb, *pro se*, and hereby answers the petition as follows:

FACTUAL BASIS

1. Admitted.
2. Admitted.
3. Statement of Jurisdiction regarding which no response is provided, but it is acknowledged that the Judicial Conduct Board has jurisdiction regarding this matter.
4. Admitted.
5. Admitted.
6. Admitted.
7. Admitted.
8. Admitted. Specifically, Mr. Cobb has taken full responsibility for the misconduct the Board found he engaged in.
9. The Vermont Supreme Court's Entry Order dated October 13, 2022 speaks for itself and is non-traversable. Otherwise, Paragraph 9 contains a procedural history that is admitted.
10. Admitted.

## CANONS VIOLATED

11. Admitted as to the contents of Canon 1.2 and Comment 5 of the Vermont Code of Judicial Conduct.

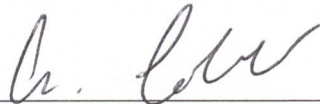
12. Admitted that the Vermont Rules of Professional Conduct adopted by the Vermont Supreme Court are "court rules" as that phrase is used in Canon 1.2 of the Vermont Code of Judicial Conduct.

13. Attorney Cobb neither admits nor denies the allegation as stated, but acknowledges that the conduct alleged constitutes "improprieties" prohibited by the Vermont Code of Judicial Conduct.

14. Admitted as to the contents of Canon 2.16 of the Vermont Code of Judicial Conduct

15. Admitted that the violation of Rule 8.4(c) of the Vermont Rules of Professional Conduct that was found by the Vermont Professional Responsibility Board and upheld by the Vermont Supreme Court constituted a violation of Canon. 2.16(A) of the Vermont Code of Judicial Conduct.

DATED at St. Johnsbury, Vermont this 15th day of August, 2023.



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