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Case No. 23-AP-024

**ENTRY ORDER**

FEBRUARY TERM, 2023

In re John D. Burke, Esq. (Office of Disciplinary Counsel*)	}	Original Jurisdiction
	}	
	}	Professional Responsibility Board
	}	CASE NO. PRB-040-2020

In the above-entitled cause, the Clerk will enter:

On January 12, 2023, a PRB hearing panel filed a decision recommending that respondent be suspended from the practice of law for six months for violating V.R.Pr.C 8.1(b). Respondent did not appeal from this decision and this Court did not order review on its own motion. The hearing panel's decision has therefore become final and it has the same force and effect as an order of this Court. See A.O. 9, Rule 13(D)(5)(c). This case is therefore closed.

**REIBER, C.J. and COHEN, J., concurring.** While the sanction imposed appears harsh on these facts, we agree not to seek review on the Court's own motion considering all of the circumstances of this case.

BY THE COURT:

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Paul L. Reiber, Chief Justice

Handwritten signature of Harold E. Eaton, Jr. in blue ink.

Harold E. Eaton, Jr., Associate Justice

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Karen R. Carroll, Associate Justice

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William D. Cohen, Associate Justice

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Nancy J. Waples, Associate Justice