STATE OF VERMONT PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM

In re: William Cobb, Esq. PRB No. 2020-99, 2020-103

MOTION FOR REINSTATEMENT

NOW COMES the respondent in the above-captioned matter, William W. Cobb, by and through counsel, Brice C. Simon, Esq. of Breton & Simon, PLC, and hereby moves the Professional Responsibility Board, pursuant to AO9, Rule 26(D), for reinstatement to the practice of law in Vermont. In support whereof, Respondent submits the accompanying Affidavit of William W. Cobb, along with Attachments 1-16, served pursuant to V.R.C.P. 5(b)(1)(D) and by analogy to 2020 V.R.E.F d(2)(B), via electronic mail as stated in the Certificate of Service provided herewith. In addition, Respondent submits that at the Reinstatement Hearing, respondent will demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that: (1) Mr. Cobb has the moral qualifications, competency and learning required for admission to practice law in the State of Vermont; (2) that the resumption of the practice of law will neither be detrimental to the integrity and standing of the bar or the administration of justice nor subversive of the public interest; and (3) that respondent has been rehabilitated. Undersigned counsel additionally submits that William W. Cobb was suspended from the practice of law in Vermont for fifteen months beginning on July 10, 2022. Email from Sarah Katz, Esq. to Brandy Sickles, dated October 14, 2023 (stating "licensing records should reflect 15 months from July 10, 2022"). His suspension end date is October 10, 2023. Mr. Cobb is therefore permitted to file this Motion for Reinstatement three months prior to that October 10, 2023 end of suspension date, or on July 10, 2023. See Rule 26(D)("In the case of a suspension, the motion may not be filed until three months before the period of suspension expires.").

WHEREFORE, respondent respectfully requests the Board to schedule this matter for a hearing to consider William W. Cobb's petition for reinstatement, and for issuance of a Decision granting the Motion within 90 days after the filing of this Motion for Reinstatement, or, in the alternative, by October 10, 2023.

Dated at Stowe, Vermont on July 10, 2023.

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