

STATE OF VERMONT
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY BOARD

In re: Norman Watts, Esq.
PRB File Nos. 2019-102 & 2020-011

**RULING ON DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL'S MOTION
TO SUBSTITUTE EXPERT WITNESS**

In accordance with the deadline set forth in the pre-hearing scheduling order, in June 2021 Disciplinary Counsel identified an attorney who she anticipated calling to testify as an expert witness at the merits hearing in above matter. That person subsequently disclosed a conflict of interest. Disciplinary Counsel promptly identified a replacement expert and now moves to substitute that person in place of the expert witness previously identified. The substitution will not delay these proceedings. In addition, Respondent has consented to the motion. Accordingly, Disciplinary Counsel's Motion to Substitute Expert Witness is hereby GRANTED.

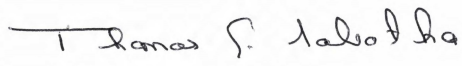
Dated: July 19, 2021

Hearing Panel No. 9



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