

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-59 September Term 2023
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In the Matter of :
Laura M. Rys :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 012381993) :

ORDER

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 23-163, recommending on the record certified to the Board pursuant to Rule 1:20-4(f) (default by respondent) that **Laura M. Rys**, formerly of **Far Hills**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1993, and who has been suspended since April 25, 2016, should be suspended for two years for violating RPC 5.5(a)(1) (practicing law while suspended) and RPC 8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with disciplinary authorities);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Laura M. Rys** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years, and until further order of the Court, effective May 8, 2024; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Rule 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to

comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of Rule 1:20-20(b)(15) may (1) preclude the Disciplinary Review Board from considering respondent's petition for reinstatement for a period of up to six months from the date respondent files proof of compliance; (2) be found to constitute a violation of RPC 8.1(b) and RPC 8.4(d); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to Rule 1:10-2; and it is further

ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in Rule 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 2nd day of April, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Heather J. Baker".

Filed 4/8/2024

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT