

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY
D-58 September Term 2023
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In the Matter of :
Royce W. Smith :
An Attorney at Law :
(Attorney No. 045322004) :

O R D E R

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB-23-159, recommending as a matter of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 1:20-14(a) that **Royce W. Smith**, formerly of **Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 2004, and who has been temporarily suspended from practice by consent since February 4, 2021, should be reprimanded based on discipline imposed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for unethical conduct that in New Jersey constitutes violations of RPC 5.5(a)(1) (practicing law while ineligible), RPC 8.1(a) (knowingly making a false statement of material fact to disciplinary authorities), RPC 8.1(b) (failing to cooperate with disciplinary authorities), RPC 8.4(c) (engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation), and RPC 8.4(d) (engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice);

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **Royce W. Smith** is hereby reprimanded; 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 7th day of May, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heather J. Baker".

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT