



**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS
APPOINTED BY
THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS**

IN THE MATTER OF	§	
PATRICK ROBERT SIMON	§	CAUSE NO. 53369
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24051341	§	

JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

On the 31st day of January 2014, this disciplinary petition was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, although duly cited to appear, failed to appear and wholly made default. All matters of fact as well as all matters of law were submitted to the Board of Disciplinary Appeals for determination. Having considered the pleadings on file, having received evidence, and having heard the argument of counsel, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals finds that:

- (1) Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, State Bar Card Number 24051341, is licensed and authorized to practice law in the State of Texas by the Supreme Court of Texas.
- (2) On or about December 10, 2012, Patrick Robert Simon was charged by Information with Money Laundering in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(3)(B), in Case 3-12CR-414-P, styled *United States of America v. Patrick Robert Simon (1)*, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.
- (3) On or about December 10, 2012, a Plea Agreement and Waiver of Appeal was entered in Case 3-12CR-414-P, styled *United States of America v. Patrick Robert Simon (1)*, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.
- (4) On or about September 26, 2013, a Judgment in a Criminal Case was

entered in Case 3-12CR-00414-P(1), styled *United States of America v. Patrick Robert Simon*, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, wherein Respondent pled guilty to Money Laundering and was sentenced to twenty-four (24) months in the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons. Upon release from imprisonment Respondent was ordered to be on supervised release for two years and ordered to pay an assessment of \$100.00.

- (5) Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, is the same person as the Patrick Robert Simon who is the subject of the Judgment described above.

Conclusions of Law. Based upon the foregoing findings of fact the Board of Disciplinary Appeals makes the following conclusions of law:

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. Tex. R. Disciplinary P. 7.08(G).
- (2) Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, has been convicted for purposes of TRDP 8.04 of an Intentional Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(T). Such crime is as well a Serious Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(Z).
- (3) The conviction is final. Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, therefore, should be disbarred. TRDP 8.05.

Respondent, having been convicted of an Intentional Crime and that conviction being final, and having been sentenced to prison, should be disbarred pursuant to TRDP 8.05. It is, therefore, accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, State Bar Card No. 24051341, be and he is hereby DISBARRED from the practice of law in the State of Texas and his license to practice law in this state be and is hereby revoked.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, is hereafter permanently prohibited, effective immediately, from practicing law in Texas, holding himself out as an attorney at law, performing any legal service for others, accepting any

fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel or in any representative capacity in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any Texas administrative body, or holding himself out to others or using his name, in any manner, in conjunction with the words “attorney”, “counselor”, or “lawyer.”

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, shall notify in writing, no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each and every court in which Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, has any legal matter pending, if any, of his disbarment, of the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and of the name, address, and telephone number of the client(s) Respondent is representing in that court. Respondent is also ORDERED to mail copies of all such notifications to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, shall immediately notify each of his current clients and opposing counsel, if any, in writing, of his disbarment. In addition to such notification, Respondent is ORDERED to return all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties which are in his possession but which belong to current or former clients, if any, to those respective clients or former clients within thirty (30) days after the date on which this Judgment is signed by the Board. Respondent is further ORDERED to file with this Board, within the same thirty (30) days, an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been notified of his disbarment and that all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties belonging to clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein. If Respondent should be unable to

return any file, papers, money or other property to any client or former client, Respondent's affidavit shall state with particularity the efforts made by Respondent with respect to each particular client and the cause of his inability to return to said client any file, paper, money or other property. Respondent is also ORDERED to mail a copy of said affidavit and copies of all notification letters to clients, to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Patrick Robert Simon, immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Signed this 3rd day of February 2014.


CHAIR PRESIDING