



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

IN THE MATTER OF

**ALFONSO KENNARD, JR.
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24036888**

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CAUSE NO. 71282

**ORDER DENYING EMERGENCY REQUEST FOR STAY AND
DENYING EMERGENCY MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Respondent Alfonso Kennard, Jr. filed an Emergency Request for Stay on September 5, 2025 (“Request”) with the Board of Disciplinary Appeals (“BODA”). Respondent calls his Request a “Notice of Appeal,” and he writes that he is appealing the Board’s “Order Revoking Probation and Actively Suspending Respondent from the Practice of Law, signed on August 14, 2025” (“Order”). Respondent explains that the Request “appeals the Order to the Supreme Court of Texas,” and he “prays the Court accept this Notice of Appeal” and “grant a stay of the suspension pending appeal.” Thus, although Respondent has filed his Request with BODA, he asks the Texas Supreme Court, not BODA, for relief.

BODA will forward Respondent’s Request to the Texas Supreme Court immediately and treat his Request as a motion for BODA to stay enforcement of the Order.

Later on September 5, 2025, Respondent filed an Emergency Motion for Extension of Time (“Motion”), apparently seeking to have the Board delay the start of his suspension by 15-30 days. In that Motion, Respondent asserts that BODA’s email containing the Order went to a spam folder and that BODA did not send the Order by certified mail.

Respondent asks for a stay and an extension of the suspension period because he claims he received notice of the Order just yesterday, September 4, 2025. He also claims he did not receive a certified mail notice of the Order, and BODA never sent it.

The Board finds as follows:

On August 14, 2025, BODA emailed the Order to Respondent at alfonso.kennard@kennardlaw.com, which is the email address he designated as his preferred email address in his State Bar of Texas membership profile. The same email address is in the signature block in both Respondent's Request and Motion, and he was copied at that email address on the transmittal emails for the Request and the Motion. Respondent has repeatedly used that email address to communicate with BODA and the State Bar compliance monitor in this case. Respondent sent BODA an email from that address on September 5, 2025, inquiring about a file-stamped copy of his Motion.

On August 14, 2025, BODA mailed the Order to Respondent at 5120 Woodway Dr., Ste. 10010, Houston, Texas 77056, which is the address on his Request and Motion for his law firm, Kennard Law, P.C. Respondent designated that same address as his preferred mailing address in his State Bar membership profile. Respondent has repeatedly used that address in this case.

BODA mailed the Order to the 5120 Woodway Dr. address of Respondent's firm via certified mail with a tracking number of 9171 9690 0935 0199 3924 33. That tracking number was provided in the email BODA sent with the Order on August 14, 2025. The United States Postal Service shows that certified mail with that same tracking number was delivered on August 18, 2025, to the front desk, reception area, or mail room of Respondent's firm.

The Board concludes as follows:

A party wishing to appeal a final decision of the Board must file a notice of appeal directly with the clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas within 14 days after receiving notice of the Board's final determination. TEX. RULES DISCIPLINARY P. R. 7.11; BODA INTERNAL PROCEDURAL RULE 10.01(B).

Respondent received an email containing the Order on August 14, 2025. He received a letter containing the Order no later than August 18, 2025.

The deadline for filing a notice of appeal was August 28, 2025, which was eight days ago.

Respondent has provided no facts or arguments in support of a stay, and BODA is aware of none. Indeed, an order revoking a probated suspension "cannot be suspended or stayed." TEX. RULES DISCIPLINARY P. R. 2.22. Thus, even if Respondent had timely filed an appeal with the Supreme Court, there would be no grounds for granting a stay.

Respondent's Emergency Request for Stay is **DENIED**.

The Order provides that Respondent's suspension begins September 13, 2025, already granting Respondent a 30-day delay from the date of the Order and 50 days from the date of the hearing. Respondent has provided no legal argument in support of further delaying the start of his suspension, and BODA is aware of none.

Respondent's Emergency Motion for Extension of Time is **DENIED**.

SIGNED this 5th day of September 2025.



CHAIR PRESIDING