



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

IN THE MATTER OF §
RYAN A. BEASON § **CAUSE NO. 55410**
STATE BAR CARD NO. 01991200 §

JUDGMENT OF FULLY PROBATED SUSPENSION

On the 30th day of January 2015, the above-styled and numbered reciprocal disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner, Commission for Lawyer Discipline of the State Bar of Texas, appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent, Ryan A. Beason, appeared in person and by attorney and announced ready. All questions of fact as well as all issues 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 is of the opinion that Petitioner is entitled to entry of the following findings and orders:

Findings of Fact. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals finds that:

- (1) Respondent, Ryan A. Beason, is an attorney who is licensed and authorized to practice law in the State of Texas, and whose Bar Card No. is 01991200;
- (2) On or about January 30, 2014, a Joint Petition for Consent Discipline Pursuant to the Provisions of Supreme Court Rule XIX §20 that includes a Joint Memorandum in Support of Petition for Consent Discipline Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule XIX §20, Stipulations of Fact, and a Waiver of Opportunity to Withdraw was filed in the Supreme Court of Louisiana, in

the matter styled, *In Re: Confidential Party (Bar Roll 30129)*, Supreme Court Docket No. 14 B 205;

- (3) On or about February 28, 2014, the Supreme Court of Louisiana entered its per curiam Order in a matter styled: *In Re: Ryan Andrew Beason, No. 2014-B-0205*, that states in pertinent part as follows:

[I]t is ordered that the Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and that Ryan Andrew Beason, Louisiana Bar Roll number 30129, be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and one day, with all but ninety days deferred, followed by a two-year period of unsupervised probation

- (4) In the Joint Petition for Consent Discipline, the Respondent acknowledged that he violated LA Rules of Prof. Conduct Rule 1.1(b) (a lawyer is required to comply with the minimal requirement for continuing legal education as prescribed by the Louisiana Supreme Court); Rule 1.1(c) (a lawyer is required to comply with all of the requirements of the Supreme Court Rules regarding annual registration including payment of bar dues, payment of disciplinary assessment, timely notification of change of address, and proper disclosure of trust account information or any change therein); and Rule 5.5(a) (a lawyer shall not practice law in violation of the regulation of the legal profession in that jurisdiction or assist another in doing so) and also acknowledged that discipline was appropriate;
- (5) Respondent, Ryan A. Beason, is the same person as the Ryan Andrew Beason, who is the subject of the Louisiana Supreme Court disciplinary Order; and
- (6) The Order from the Supreme Court of Louisiana is final.
- (7) The Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel represented to the Board that, to the best of her knowledge, the maximum period of active suspension previously imposed in Texas for the unauthorized practice of law during an administrative suspension is 30 days.

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

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. Tex. Rules Disciplinary P. R. 7.08(H) (“TRDP”).

- (2) The conduct for which Respondent was disciplined in Louisiana warrants substantially different discipline in Texas. TRDP 9.04D.
- (3) The Board shall impose such discipline as it deems necessary and appropriate. TRDP 9.04.

It is, accordingly, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED** that Respondent, Ryan A. Beason, State Bar Card No. 01991200, is hereby **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law in Texas for a period of three years with said suspension **PROBATED** on certain terms and conditions for a period of three years beginning on the date of this Judgment.

Terms and Conditions

It is further **ORDERED** that, during the full term of probation under this Judgment, Respondent must comply with the following terms and conditions:

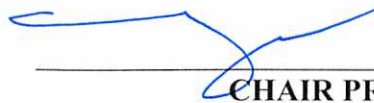
1. Respondent must not violate any term of this judgment.
2. Respondent must not engage in Professional Misconduct as defined by TRDP 1.06(V).
3. Respondent must not be found guilty of or plead no contest to any state or federal criminal statutes.
4. Respondent must keep the State Bar of Texas membership department notified of current mailing, residence, and business addresses, and telephone numbers.
5. Respondent must comply with all Interest on Lawyers' Trust Account (IOLTA) requirements.
6. Respondent must promptly respond to any request for information from the Chief Disciplinary Counsel in connection with any investigation of any allegations of professional misconduct.
7. Respondent must immediately report his disciplinary judgments in Louisiana and Texas to all jurisdictions, agencies, or other entities to which he is required to report, including, but not limited to, the Southern

Federal District Court of Texas and the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and provide proof of reporting to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

8. Respondent must immediately update his membership records and profiles in Louisiana and Texas to reflect both disciplinary judgments and provide proof to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.
9. Respondent must keep all requirements to pay dues and Attorney Occupational Tax and to complete Minimum Continuing Legal Education current. Requests for extensions or retroactive completion of any requirement will constitute a violation of this condition.

This Board retains jurisdiction of this matter during the full term of probation ordered in this Judgment. If Respondent fails to comply with any term or condition of this Judgment, the Chief Disciplinary Counsel may file an action with this Board to revoke Respondent's probation or initiate a new disciplinary proceeding based thereon. In the event that BODA determines that Respondent has violated any term or condition of probation, it may suspend him for the full term of the suspension as originally imposed without credit for any probationary time served.

Signed this 3rd day of February 2015.



CHAIR PRESIDING