

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

**IN THE MATTER OF
ALEXANDER LOUIS BEDNAR
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24044456**

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CAUSE NO. 52882

AGREED JUDGMENT OF SUSPENSION

On the 28th day of August, 2013, the above-styled and numbered reciprocal disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner appeared by attorney and announced ready. Respondent appeared pro se and announced ready. 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 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, Alexander Louis Bednar, is an attorney who is licensed and authorized to practice law in the State of Texas, and whose Bar Card No. is 24044456;
- (2) On April 2, 2013, a Bar Proceeding was entered in the Supreme Court of Oklahoma in a matter styled: *State of Oklahoma, ex rel, Oklahoma State Bar Association, Complainant, v. Alexander L. Bednar, Respondent*, SCBD 5927, suspending Respondent from the practice of law for one year. The Court found that Bednar failed to appear at deposition hearings, which is a violation of Oklahoma Rules of Professional Conduct ("ORPC") Rules 1.3 and 8.4(d); sent emails to witnesses in which he threatened to file lawsuits against them for fraud and breach of contract if they testified in violation of ORPC Rules 3.4(a), 3.4(f) and 8.4(d); engaged in a pattern of missing deadlines and seeking reconsideration in violation of ORPC Rules 1.1, 1.3, 3.2, and 8.4(d)

and; altered a Final Joint Pretrial Report and affixed opposing counsel's electronic signature on the report without opposing counsel's consent in violation of ORPC Rules 3.3, 3.4, 8.4(c), and 8.4(d).

- (3) Respondent, Alexander Louis Bednar, is the same person as the Alexander L. Bednar, who is the subject of the Bar Proceeding entered by the Supreme Court of Oklahoma; and
- (4) The Bar Proceeding from the Supreme Court of Oklahoma is final.

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. R. Disciplinary P. 7.08(H);
- (2) Reciprocal discipline identical to that imposed by Supreme Court of Oklahoma is warranted in this case.

It is, accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Respondent, Alexander Louis Bednar, State Bar Card No. 24044456, is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law in Texas for a period of one year beginning August 28, 2013, and ending August 28, 2014.

It is further ORDERED that during the term of active suspension ordered herein, Respondent shall be prohibited 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, Alexander Louis Bednar, 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, Alexander Louis Bednar, has any legal matter pending, if any, of his suspension, 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, Alexander Louis Bednar, shall immediately notify each of his current clients and opposing counsel, if any, in writing, of his suspension. 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 have been notified of his suspension 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 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, Alexander Louis Bednar, 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.

It is further ORDERED that a certified copy of the Petition for Reciprocal Discipline on file herein, along with a copy of this Judgment, be sent to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711.

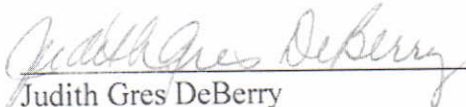
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that his Judgment of Suspension shall be made a matter of public record and be published in the Texas Bar Journal.

Signed this 28th day of August 2013.




Chairman Presiding
Board of Disciplinary Appeals
Appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER



Alexander Louis Bednar
State Bar No. 24044456
RESPONDENT