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

**IN THE MATTER OF
RICHARD COLLINS DALTON,
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24033539**

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CAUSE NO. 70710

AGREED JUDGMENT OF PUBLIC REPRIMAND

On this day the above-styled and numbered reciprocal disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. The Commission for Lawyer Discipline (the "Commission") appeared by attorney and Respondent appeared in person as indicated by their respective signatures below and announced that they agree to the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and orders set forth below solely for the purposes of this proceeding which has not been fully adjudicated. Respondent waives any and all defenses that could be asserted under Rule 9.04 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals, having reviewed the file and in consideration of the agreement of the parties, is of the opinion that the Commission is entitled to entry of the following findings, conclusions, and orders:

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

- (1) Respondent, Richard Collins Dalton, Bar Card number 24033539, is an attorney licensed and authorized by the Supreme Court of Texas to practice law in the State of Texas.
- (2) On or about June 26, 2023, an Order Per Curium was entered by the Supreme Court of Louisiana styled, Supreme Court of Louisiana, No. 2023-B-0772, *In Re: Richard C. Dalton*, Attorney Disciplinary Proceeding, which states in pertinent part:

The Office of Disciplinary Counsel ("ODC") commenced an investigation into allegations that respondent settled his clients' legal matter without their knowledge or consent. Following the filing of formal charges, respondent and the ODC submitted a joint petition for consent discipline

wherein respondent admitted to violating Rules 1.2(a), 1.8(k), and 8.4(a) of the Rules of Professional Conduct. Having reviewed the petition,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and that Richard C. Dalton, Louisiana Bar Roll number 23017, be publicly reprimanded. It is further ordered that respondent shall attend the next-scheduled session of the Louisiana State Bar Association's Ethics School.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all costs and expenses in the matter are assessed against respondent in accordance with Supreme Court Rule XIX, § 10.1, with legal interest to commence thirty days from the date of finality of this court's judgment until paid.

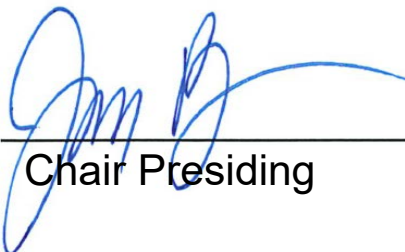
- (3) Respondent, Richard Collins Dalton, is the same person as the Richard C. Dalton who is the subject of the Supreme Court of Louisiana Order Per Curium.
- (4) The public reprimand entered by the Supreme Court of Louisiana is final.

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

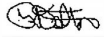
- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. TEX. RULES DISCIPLINARY P. R. 7.08(H).
- (2) Reciprocal discipline identical, to the extent practicable, to that imposed by the Supreme Court of Louisiana is warranted in this case.

It is, accordingly, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that Respondent, Richard Collins Dalton, State Bar Card No. 24033539, is hereby **PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED** as an attorney at law in the State of Texas.

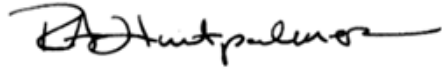
Signed this **4th** day of September.


Chair Presiding

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:



Richard Collins Dalton
State Bar No. 24033539
Respondent



Richard Huntpalmer
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel
State Bar No. 24097857
Attorney for Petitioner