

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

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IN THE MATTER OF JOHN O'NEILL GREEN STATE BAR CARD NO. 00785927

CAUSE NO. 65862

JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

On the 28th day of July, 2023, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals considered the First

Amended Motion for Entry of Judgment of Disbarment filed in the above case by Petitioner, the

Commission for Lawyer Discipline of the State Bar of Texas, against Respondent, John O'neill

Green. The Board finds that:

- (1) The Board retains jurisdiction to enter a final judgment in this matter. TEX. R. DISCIPLINARY P.R. 8.04–.06.
- (2) On August 5, 2022, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals entered an Interlocutory Order of Suspension, finding that on or about June 28, 2021, a Judgment in a Criminal Case was entered in Cause No. 3:18-cr-00356-S, styled United States of America v. John O. Green, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, wherein Respondent was found guilty of Count 1 of the Indictment, filed July 18, 2018, Conspiracy to Defraud the United States in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371. In that Judgment, Respondent was ordered to be committed to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons for a term of six (6) months, and upon release, to be on supervised release for a term of three (3) years. Respondent was further ordered to pay a fine to the United States in the amount of \$15,000.00 and restitution in the amount of \$679,501.50.
- (3) In the Interlocutory Order of Suspension, the Board found that Respondent was convicted of an Intentional Crime as defined by Texas Rule of Disciplinary Procedure (TRDP) 1.06(V) and a Serious Crime as defined by TRDP 1.06(GG).

- (4) The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit affirmed Respondent's conviction and sentence on or about August 24, 2022, in an appeal styled *John O. Green v. United States*, No. 21-10651.
- (5) Respondent filed a Petition for Writ of Certiorari on November 22, 2022, in the United States Supreme Court in Docket No. 22-508, styled John O. Green v. United States. On January 23, 2023, the Supreme Court denied Respondent's Petition for Writ of Certiorari.
- (6) Petitioner filed its First Amended Motion for Entry of Judgment of Disbarment on or about May 11, 2023, and served same on Respondent in accordance with TEXAS RULE OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE 8.05.
- (7) Respondent's conviction, for which he was sentenced in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, has become final and is not subject to further appeal. BODA INTERNAL PROCEDURAL RULE 6.02(a).
- (7) Petitioner's First Amended Motion for Entry of Judgment of Disbarment shall be granted. TEX. R. DISCIPLINARY P.R. 8.05.

Disbarment

The Board has determined that disbarment of Respondent is appropriate. It is, therefore,

accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that Respondent, John O'neill Green,

State Bar No. 00785927, be and hereby is DISBARRED from the practice of law in the State of

Texas, and his license to practice law in this state be and hereby is revoked.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that Respondent, John O'neill

Green, is 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 at law," "attorney," "counselor at law," "esquire," "Esq.," or "lawyer."

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, John O'neill Green, shall immediately notify each of his current clients, if any, in writing of this disbarment. In addition to such notification, Respondent is **ORDERED** to return any files, papers, unearned monies, and other property, if any, which belongs to clients and former clients and is in Respondent's possession or control, to the respective clients or former clients or to another attorney at the client's or former client's request, within thirty (30) days of the date of this judgment.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, John O'neill Green, shall file with the State Bar of Texas, Chief Disciplinary Counsel's Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment, an affidavit stating that all current clients have been notified of Respondent's disbarment and that all files, papers, monies, and other property belonging to all clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein. If Respondent should be unable to return any files, papers, monies, or other property requested by 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 files, papers, monies, or other property.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, John O'neill Green, shall, on or before thirty (30) days from the signing of this judgment, notify in writing each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer, and chief justice of each and every court or tribunal in which Respondent has any matter pending, if any, of the terms of this judgment, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address and telephone number of the client(s) Respondent is representing.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, John O'neill Green, shall file with the State Bar of Texas, Chief Disciplinary Counsel's Office, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, TX 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado St., Austin, TX 78701) within thirty (30) days of the signing of this judgment by the Board, an affidavit stating that each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, administrative judge or officer, and chief justice has received written notice of the terms of this judgment.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, John O'neill Green, shall immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Statewide Compliance Monitor, 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 this Judgment of Disbarment shall be made a matter of public record and that notice of this disciplinary action shall be published in the *Texas Bar Journal*.

Signed this 31st day of July 2023.

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CHAIR PRESIDING