



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

IN THE MATTER OF §
ABIGAIL DENNYSE MOLINA § CAUSE NO. 63667
STATE BAR CARD NO. 24074740 §

AGREED JUDGMENT OF PROBATED SUSPENSION

On this day, the above-styled and numbered reciprocal disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner 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. The Board of Disciplinary Appeals, having reviewed the file and in consideration of the agreement of the parties, 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, Abigail Dennyse Molina, Bar Card No. is 24074740, is an attorney who is licensed but not currently authorized to practice law in the State of Texas.
- (2) On or about July 18, 2019, a Stipulation for Discipline was filed in the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon in a matter styled, *In re the Conduct of: Abigail Molina, Bar No. 176383, Respondent, Cause No. 18-156.*
- (3) On or about July 29, 2019, an Order Approving Stipulation for Discipline was entered in the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon, in a matter styled, *In re the Conduct of: Abigail Molina, Bar No. 176383, Respondent, Cause No. 18-156*, that states in pertinent part as follows:

. . . IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the stipulation between the parties is approved and Molina is suspended for six (6) months, all stayed, pending Molina's successful completion of a three (3) year term of probation, effective the first day of the month following the date of this order for violations of RPC 1.15-1(a) and RPC 1.15-1(c)

- (4) In the Stipulation for Discipline, Molina admitted that her failure to hold funds belonging to clients separate from her own, MLG, and VITALS property, as well as her failure to adequately document and maintain records of client funds over many months, violated RPC 1.15-1(a). Molina further admitted that her premature taking of client funds for purposes unrelated to those specific client matters, under the mistaken belief that those funds had in fact been earned, violated RPC 1.15-1(c).
- (5) Respondent, Abigail Dennyse Molina, is the same person as the Abigail Molina, who is the subject of the Order Approving Stipulation for Discipline filed with the Supreme Court of Oregon; and
- (6) The Order Approving Stipulation for Discipline filed with the Supreme Court of Oregon 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) ("TRDP"):
- (2) Reciprocal discipline identical, to the extent practicable, to that imposed by the Supreme Court of Oregon is warranted in this case. TRDP 9.03.
- (3) Respondent should be suspended for six months, all stayed, pending Molina's successful completion of a three year term of probation.
- (4) This Board retains jurisdiction during the full term of probation imposed by this judgment to hear a motion to revoke probation.

It is, accordingly, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED** that Respondent, Abigail Dennyse Molina, State Bar Card No. 24074740, is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months with the suspension being fully probated for three years beginning December 1, 2019, and ending November 30, 2022, under the following terms and conditions:

- (1) Respondent shall not violate any of the provisions of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct or any provision of the State Bar Rules.
- (2) Respondent shall not be found guilty of, or plead no contest to, any felony involving moral turpitude or any misdemeanor involving theft, embezzlement, or fraudulent misappropriation of money or other property.

- (3) Respondent must notify both the Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel and the Membership Department of the State Bar of Texas of any change in Respondent's address within thirty (30) days of the change of address.
- (4) Respondent shall not violate any of the terms or conditions of probation imposed by the Supreme Court of Oregon on July 29, 2019, in the matter styled: *In re the Conduct of: Abigail Molina, Bar No. 176383, Respondent, Cause No. 18-156.*
- (5) Respondent shall timely comply with all requirements of the Order Approving Stipulation for Discipline entered in the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon, in a matter styled, *In re the Conduct of: Abigail Molina, Bar No. 176383, Respondent, Cause No. 18-156*

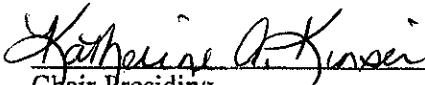
Probation Revocation

Upon determination that Respondent has violated any term or condition of this judgment or of the disciplinary order or judgment entered in Oregon, the Chief Disciplinary Counsel may, in addition to all other remedies available, file a motion to revoke probation pursuant to TRDP 2.23 with this Board and serve a copy of the motion on Respondent pursuant to Tex.R.Civ.P. 21a.

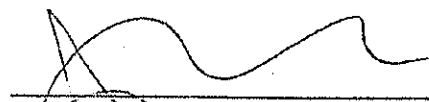
This Board will conduct an evidentiary hearing to determine by a preponderance of the evidence whether Respondent has materially violated any term, or condition, or requirement of any applicable disciplinary judgment. If this Board finds grounds for revocation, it will enter an order revoking probation and placing Respondent on active suspension from the date of such revocation order without credit for any term of probation served prior to revocation.

It is further **ORDERED** that any conduct on the part of Respondent, which serves as the basis for a motion to revoke probation, may also be brought as independent grounds for discipline as allowed under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct and the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

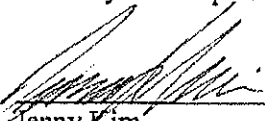
Signed this 14TH day of November 2019.


Chair Presiding
Board of Disciplinary Appeals

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:



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