

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
LAUREN REITMAN WEINSTEIN  
STATE BAR CARD NO. 00791898**

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**CAUSE NO. 35961**

**AGREED JUDGMENT OF ACTIVE SUSPENSION**

On the 14 day of October 2005, the above-styled and numbered disciplinary action was called for hearing before the Board of Disciplinary Appeals. Petitioner appeared by attorney and Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, appeared pro se 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. 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, having heard the argument of counsel and in consideration of the agreement of the parties, 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, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, whose State Bar Card number is 00791898, is not currently authorized by the Supreme Court of Texas to practice law.
- (2) In July 2001, Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, was indicted on two counts of Obtaining a Controlled Substance by Fraud, Second Degree Felonies, in Cause No. F-2001-0821-D, styled *State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the 16th District Court of Denton County, Texas.
- (3) On or about September 6, 2001, the Respondent pled guilty to two counts of Obtaining a Controlled Substance by Fraud and the Court entered an Order of Community Supervision without Adjudication of Guilt in Cause Number F-2001-0821-D, styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the

362nd District Court of Denton County, Texas, placing the Respondent on community supervision for a period of five (5) years. Respondent was also ordered to pay a fine in the amount of \$1,500.00, pay court costs in the amount of \$244.50, pay restitution in the amount of \$50.00, complete 150 hours of Community Service Restitution, attend AA/NA meetings five (5) times weekly and attend counseling.

- (4) On or about May 15, 2001, Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, was Indicted on two charges of Obtaining a Controlled Substance by Fraud, Second Degree Felonies, in Cause Number 199-80679-01, styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the 366th District Court of Collin County, Texas.
- (5) On or about September 20, 2001, Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, entered Defendant's Waiver of Rights in Cause Number 199-80679-01, Styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, pleading guilty to the charges of the Indictment.
- (6) On or about September 20, 2001, Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, further entered a Stipulation of Facts in Cause Number 199-80679-01, Styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, admitting the charges in the Indictment.
- (7) On or about September 26, 2001, the Court entered an Order Placing Defendant on Community Supervision without Adjudication of Guilt in Cause Number 199-80679-01, styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the Criminal Minutes of the District Court of Collin County, Texas, placing Respondent on community supervision for a period of five (5) years for the offense of Prescription Fraud.
- (8) On or about September 26, 2001, the Court entered an Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Placing Defendant on Community Supervision in Cause No. 199-80679-01, styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas, further ordering Respondent to pay costs in the amount of \$212.25, to participate in the Intensive Supervision Program/Specialized Caseload Program and to perform 160 hours of community service work.
- (9) On or about December 3, 2003, the Court entered a Nunc Pro Tunc Order Suspending Imposition of Sentence and Placing Defendant on Community Supervision in Cause No. 199-80679-01, styled *The State of Texas v. Lauren Reitman Weinstein*, in the 199th District Court of Collin County, Texas.

- (10) Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, is the same person as the Lauren Reitman Weinstein, who is the subject of the Weinstein criminal cases described above.

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

- (1) This Board has jurisdiction to hear and determine this matter. Rule 7.08(G), Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.
- (2) Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, having been placed on probation for an intentional crime without an adjudication of guilt, has been convicted for purposes of Rule 8.04, Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, of an intentional crime as defined by Rule 1.06(T), Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. Such crime is as well a serious crime as defined by Rule 1.06(Z), Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.
- (3) Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, should be suspended for the term of her criminal probation as originally assessed and, in the event that the above-described criminal probation of Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, is revoked, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, should be disbarred. Rule 8.06, Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure.

It is, accordingly, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, State Bar Card No. 00791898, be and she is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law in the State of Texas and her license to practice law in the State of Texas is hereby SUSPENDED for a period beginning effective the date of entry of this judgment and ending September 19, 2006.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, during said suspension is prohibited from practicing law in Texas, holding herself 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 herself out to others or using her name, in

any manner, in conjunction with the words "attorney," "counselor," or "lawyer."

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, not later than thirty (30) days shall notify in writing each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each and every court, if any, in which Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, has any legal matter pending, if any, of her 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 Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, shall immediately notify each of her current clients, if any, in writing, of her 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 her 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 her 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 her 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 Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of

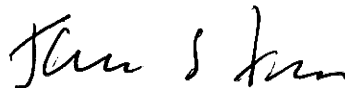
Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further ORDERED that Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, immediately surrender her Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

It is further ORDERED that, in the event that the above-described criminal probation of Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, is revoked, Respondent, Lauren Reitman Weinstein, shall be DISBARRED upon the filing by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of an appropriate motion supported by certified copies of court documents showing that such criminal probation has been revoked.

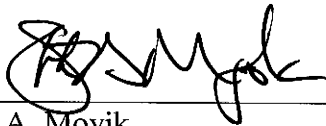
It is further ORDERED that a certified copy of the Petition for Compulsory Discipline on file herein, along with a copy of this Judgment, be sent to the Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711.

Signed this 14 day of October 2005.



CHAIR PRESIDING  
BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:



Stephen A. Moyik  
Attorney for Petitioner



Lauren Reitman Weinstein  
Respondent