VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR DISCIPLINARY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF CHARLES JOHN COVATI VSB DOCKET NO. 22-000-123229

CONSENT TO REVOCATION ORDER

On August 26, 2021, came Charles John Covati and presented to the Board an Affidavit

Declaring Consent to Revocation (hereinafter "Affidavit") of his license to practice law in the

courts of this Commonwealth. By tendering his Consent to Revocation at a time when a

disciplinary complaint, Investigation or Proceeding is pending, the nature of which is specifically

set forth in the attached Affidavit. Respondent acknowledges that the material facts contained in

the pending disciplinary complaint, Investigation or Proceeding are true.

The Board having considered the Affidavit, and Bar Counsel having no objection, the

Board accepts his Consent to Revocation.

Upon consideration whereof, it is therefore ordered that Charles John Covati's license to

practice law in the courts of this Commonwealth be and the same hereby is revoked, and that the

name of Charles John Covati be stricken from the Roll of Attorneys of this Commonwealth.

It is further ORDERED that the Clerk of the Disciplinary System shall mail an attested

copy of this order by electronic, regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, to the

Respondent, at his address of record with the Virginia State Bar being, C.J. Covati, PC, 4370

Starkey Rd., Ste. 4A, Roanoke, VA 24018, and a copy sent by electronic mail to Paulo E.

Franco, Jr., Assistant Bar Counsel.

Entered this 26th day of August, 2021

Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board

By

Steven B. Novey

Second Vice Chair



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VSB CLERK'S OFFICE

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AFFIDAVIT DECLARING CONSENT TO REVOCATION

Charles John Covati, after being duly sworn, states as follows:

- That Charles John Covati was licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia on 04/25/2002;
- 2. That Charles John Covati submits this Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation pursuant to Rule of Court, Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-28;
- 3. That Charles John Covati's consent to revocation is freely and voluntarily rendered, that Charles John Covati is not being subjected to coercion or duress, and that Charles John Covati is fully aware of the implications of consenting to the revocation of his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
- 4. Charles John Covati is aware that there is currently pending a Rule to Show Cause set for August 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. for his failure to comply with the requirements of Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-29 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia, the specific nature of which is here set forth:
 - a. The Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board entered an Order dated May 17, 2021 suspending Charles John Covati's license to practice law for a period of 3.5 years and requiring him to comply with the requirements of Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-29 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia;
 - b. That Charles John Covati failed to comply with the requirements of Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-29 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia in that he

failed to notify his clients and courts in which he had cases pending of his suspension; and

- c. That Charles John Covati failed to provide any of the requisite information to the Clerk of the Disciplinary System that he had complied with the requirements of Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-29 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia.
- 5. Charles John Covati acknowledges that the material facts upon which the allegations of misconduct are predicated are true; and
- 6. Charles John Covati submits this Affidavit and consents to the revocation of his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia because he knows that if the disciplinary proceedings based on the said alleged misconduct were brought or prosecuted to a conclusion, he could not successfully defend them.

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Charles John Covati Respondent
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA CITY/COUNTY OF, to wit:
The foregoing Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation was subscribed and sworn to before
me by Charles John Covati on Oly 5- 26, 202
JESSICA MAY PRICKETT NOTARY PUBLIC COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUG. 31, 2021 COMMISSION # 7717679 Notary Public
My Commission expires: 0831200