

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR DISCIPLINARY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF
TIMOTHY JOHN MURPHY

VSB DOCKET NO. 21-000-121296

RULE TO SHOW CAUSE
AND
ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

It appearing to the Board that Timothy John Murphy was licensed to practice law within the Commonwealth of Virginia on April 22, 2005, and,

It further appearing that Timothy John Murphy has been disbarred from the practice of law by Order of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, Misc. Docket AG No. 13, September Term, 2020.

It further appearing that such disciplinary action has become final.

It is ORDERED, pursuant to Rules of Court, Part Six, Section IV, Paragraph 13-24, that the license of Timothy John Murphy to practice law within the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and the same is, hereby suspended effective January 28, 2021.

It is further ORDERED that Timothy John Murphy appear before the Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board on February 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via videoconference utilizing the Microsoft Teams application, to show cause why the same discipline that was imposed in the Court of Appeals of Maryland should not be imposed by the Board. Pursuant to Part Six, Section IV, Paragraph 13-24.C of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Timothy John Murphy has 14 days from the date of this Rule to Show Cause and Order of Summary Suspension and Hearing to file a written response with the Clerk of the Disciplinary System, which shall be confined to argument and exhibits supporting one or more of the grounds for dismissal or imposition of a lesser discipline specified in paragraph 13-24.C. Failure to file a written response within 14 days may result in the Disciplinary Board's refusal to consider during the hearing in this matter any evidence or argument supporting the existence of one or more of the grounds specified in Paragraph 13-24.C.

It is further ORDERED that Timothy John Murphy shall forthwith give notice, by certified mail, of the suspension of his license to practice law in Virginia to all clients for whom he is

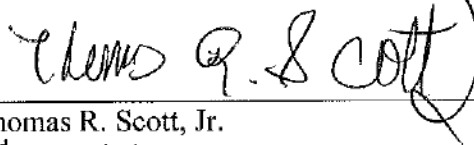
currently handling matters and to all opposing attorneys and the presiding judges in pending litigation. The Attorney shall also make appropriate arrangements for the disposition of matters then in his care in conformity with the wishes of his clients. The Attorney shall give such notice within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of the suspension order, and make such arrangements as are required herein within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of the suspension order. The Attorney shall also furnish proof to the bar within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the suspension order that such notices have been timely given and such arrangements for the disposition of matters made. Issues concerning the adequacy of the notice and arrangements required herein shall be determined by the Disciplinary Board, which may impose a sanction of revocation or suspension for failure to comply with the requirements of this subparagraph.

It is further ORDERED that a copy of the Court of Appeals of Maryland Order be attached to this Rule to Show Cause and Order of Summary Suspension and Hearing and made a part hereof.

It is further ORDERED that an attested copy of this Rule to Show Cause and Order of Summary Suspension and Hearing, with attachments, shall be mailed to Timothy John Murphy by certified mail and regular mail at his address of record with the Virginia State Bar, Murphys Law Firm, LLC, 108 LaGrange Avenue, LaPlata, MD 20646, and by electronic mail to Jessica Berdichevsky, Assistant Bar Counsel, Virginia State Bar.

ENTERED THIS 21st DAY OF January, 2021

VIRGINIA STATE BAR DISCIPLINARY BOARD

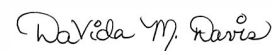


Thomas R. Scott, Jr.
2nd Vice Chair



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Clerk of the Disciplinary System
Virginia State Bar

**ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION
OF MARYLAND**

v.

TIMOTHY J. MURPHY

* **IN THE**
* **COURT OF APPEALS**
* **OF MARYLAND**
* **Misc. Docket AG No. 13**
* **September Term, 2020**
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* **(No. C-08-CV-20-000373,**
* **Circuit Court for Charles**
* **County)**

ORDER

Upon consideration of the Joint Petition for Disbarment by Consent filed by the Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland and the Respondent, Timothy J. Murphy, it is this 4th day of November, 2020

ORDERED, by the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that effective January 1, 2021, the Respondent, Timothy J. Murphy, be disbarred from the practice of law in the State of Maryland for violation of Rules 1.1 (competence), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.15 (safekeeping property), 1.16 (declining or terminating representation), 8.1 (bar admission and disciplinary matters), and 8.4 (a), (c), and (d) (misconduct) of the Maryland Rules of Professional Conduct, and it is further

ORDERED, that, on January 1, 2021, the Clerk of this Court shall strike the name of Timothy J. Murphy from the register of attorneys in this Court, and certify that fact to the Trustees of the Client Protection Fund of the Bar of Maryland and all Clerks of all judicial tribunals in this State in accordance with Maryland Rule 19-761.

Pursuant to Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal
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(§§ 10-1601 et seq. of the State Government Article) this document is authentic.



Suzanne C. Johnson, Clerk

/s/ Robert N. McDonald
Senior Judge