

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

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U.S. COURT OF
FEDERAL CLAIMS

In re:

Cruz Saavedra

No. 20-11245


FINAL ORDER

On March 20, 2020, the Supreme Court of California ordered that attorney Cruz Saavedra be suspended from the practice of law in California for one (1) year, with ten (10) months stayed in favor of probation. *See In re Cruz Saavedra on Discipline*, Docket No. S260168 (Mar. 20, 2020).

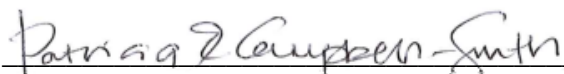
Mr. Saavedra has been a member of this Court's bar since February 14, 1991 and has two pending cases before this court: *Baer v. United States*, Docket No. 19-cv-1439 and *Risen et al. v. United States*, Docket No. 19-cv-1567. Under Rule 83.2(c)(2) of the Rules of the United States Court of Federal Claims ("RCFC"), an attorney admitted to practice before this Court may be disciplined for an act or omission that results in the attorney's disbarment or suspension by another court. Reciprocal suspension is the presumed discipline for an act or omission that results in an attorney's suspension by another court. RCFC 83.2(g)(7)(B).

On March 31, 2020, the Court issued an order directing Mr. Saavedra to show cause within thirty (30) days why the Court should not impose discipline equivalent to that imposed by the Supreme Court of California. ECF No. 4. The Order to Show Cause further stated that if no response was received, Mr. Saavedra would be suspended from practice before the Court for one (1) year, with ten (10) months stayed in favor of probation. *Id.* On April 23, 2020, Mr. Saavedra responded to the Court by letter and consented to the imposition of discipline identical to that imposed in California. ECF No. 5. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Cruz Saavedra shall be suspended from practice before the United States Court of Federal Claims for one (1) year, with ten (10) months stayed in favor of probation, effective, *nunc pro tunc*, April 19, 2020, the date of his suspension in California. The filing of any petition for reinstatement will be governed by RCFC 83.2(k)(1).



NANCY B. FIRESTONE
Senior Judge



PATRICIA E. CAMPBELL-SMITH
Judge



RICHARD A. HERTLING
Judge