In the United States Court of Federal Claims

In re:

Athan Theodore Tsimpedes

No. 19-11233

FINAL ORDER

On July 18, 2018, the Supreme Court of New Jersey issued an Order temporarily suspending Athan Theodore Tsimpedes from the practice of law for an indefinite period of time, effective immediately and until further order of that court. *See In re Athan Theodore Tsimpedes*, Docket No. 080938 (N.J. July 18, 2018). Mr. Tsimpedes did not notify the Court of his indefinite suspension by the Supreme Court of New Jersey within 14 days as required by Rule 83.2(e) of the Rules of the United States Court of Federal Claims ("RCFC").

Mr. Tsimpedes has been a member of this Court's bar since October 16, 1997 and has no cases pending before this Court. Under RCFC 83.2(c)(2), an attorney admitted to practice before this Court may be disciplined on the grounds of an act or omission that results in the disbarment or suspension of the attorney by another court. Reciprocal suspension by another court. RCFC 83.2(g)(7)(B).

On November 15, 2019, the Court issued an order directing Mr. Tsimpedes to show cause within 30 days why the Court should not impose discipline equivalent to that imposed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey. ECF No. 4. The Order to Show Cause further stated that if no response was received, Mr. Tsimpedes would be indefinitely suspended from practice before the United States Court of Federal Claims. *Id.* To date, Mr. Tsimpedes has not responded to the Order to Show Cause. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Athan Theodore Tsimpedes is indefinitely suspended from the practice of law before the United States Court of Federal Claims effective, *nunc pro tunc*, July 18, 2018, the date of his suspension in New Jersey. *See* RCFC 83.2(h)(4). The filing of any petition for reinstatement will be governed by Rule 83.2(k)(1).

NANCY B. FIRESTONE

Senior Judge

Darrag & Comprer PATRICIA E. CAMPBELL-SMITH Judge

RICHARD A. HERTLING Judge