

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

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U.S. COURT OF
FEDERAL CLAIMS

In re: William Franklin Burton

No. 20-11248

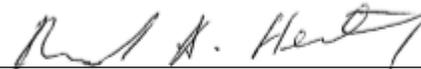
FINAL ORDER

On October 13, 2020, the Court of Appeals of Maryland issued an order disbarring by consent William Franklin Burton from the practice law. *See Att’y Grievance Comm’n of Md. v. Burton*, Misc. Docket AG 4 (Md., 2020). Mr. Burton did not report to this Court his disbarment as required by Rule 83.2(e) of the Rules of the United States Court of Federal Claims (“RCFC”). The Court learned of Mr. Burton’s disbarment on October 20, 2020. Mr. Burton is currently suspended from practice before the United States Court of Federal Claims for a period of one year and one day effective May 20, 2020. ECF No. 5

Mr. Burton has been a member of this Court’s bar since January 26, 1995 and has no pending cases. Under Rule 83.2(c)(2), an attorney may be disciplined on the grounds of an act or omission that results in the disbarment or suspension of the attorney by another court. In addition, under Rule 83.2(c)(4), an attorney may be disciplined on the grounds of failure to comply with the terms of Rule 83.2, including failure to notify the Court in accordance with Rule 83.2(e).

On October 27, 2020, the Court issued an order directing Mr. Burton to show cause within 30 days why he should not be disbarred from practice before the United States Court of Federal Claims. ECF No. 7. The Order to Show Cause further stated that if no response was received, Mr. Burton would be permanently disbarred from practice. *Id.* To date, Mr. Burton has not responded to the Order to Show Cause. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that William Franklin Burton shall be permanently disbarred from the practice of law before the United States Court of Federal Claims, effective, *nunc pro tunc*, October 20, 2020, the date this Court received notice of his disbarment in Maryland. *See* RCFC 83.2(h)(2). The filing of any petition for reinstatement will be governed by RCFC 83.2(k)(1).



RICHARD A. HERTLING
Judge



PATRICIA E. CAMPBELL-SMITH
Judge



MARGARET M. SWEENEY
Judge