BEFORE THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS APPOINTED BY THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

AGREED JUDGMENT OF INDEFINITE DISABILITY SUSPENSION

The Chief Disciplinary Counsel (CDC), upon investigation of a disciplinary complaint, reasonably believes that **MICHAEL D. RUBIN** (Respondent) is suffering from a Disability and has been authorized by the Commission for Lawyer Discipline to enter into this Agreed Judgment of Disability Suspension.

Respondent has entered into this Agreed Judgment of Disability Suspension and has submitted a Waiver (attached as Exhibit "A") in which he specifically waives his right to a hearing before the appointed District Disability Committee.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED, pursuant to TEXAS RULES OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE Part XII, that Respondent, MICHAEL D. RUBIN, State Bar Card No. 00794566, is hereby SUSPENDED from the practice of law in the State of Texas immediately as of the date of this judgment and continuing thereafter until reinstated by this Board or by a court of competent jurisdiction.

It is further **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, and **DECREED** that Respondent, **MICHAEL D**. **RUBIN**, is hereby prohibited during said suspension from practicing law in Texas, holding himself out as an attorney at law, performing any legal services for others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services not completed before the date of this judgment, appearing as counsel in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any Texas administrative body, or holding himself

out to others or using his name, in any manner, in conjunction with the words "attorney," "counselor," or "lawyer."

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent, **MICHAEL D. RUBIN**, shall, within thirty (30) days from the date of this judgment, notify in writing each and every justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each and every court in which Respondent has any legal matter pending, if any, of his suspension, of the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and of the name, address, and telephone number of the client(s) Respondent is representing in that court. Respondent is also **ORDERED** to mail copies of all such notifications to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent shall immediately notify each of his current clients, if any, in writing of his suspension. In addition to such notification, Respondent is **ORDERED** to return all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties that are in his possession, but which belong to current or former clients, if any, to those respective clients or former clients within thirty (30) days after the date on which this Judgment is signed by the Board.

Respondent, MICHAEL D. RUBIN, is ORDERED to file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, within the same thirty (30) days, an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been notified of his suspension and that all files, papers, unearned fees paid in advance, and all other monies and properties belonging to clients and former clients have been returned as ordered herein. If Respondent should be unable to return any file, papers, money or other property to any client or former client, Respondent's affidavit shall state

with particularity the efforts made by Respondent with respect to each particular client and the cause of his inability to return to said client any file, paper, money or other property. Respondent is also **ORDERED** to mail a copy of all notification letters to clients to the Statewide Compliance Monitor, Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Signed this 19th day of January , 2024

CHAIR PRESIDING

AGREED AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE:

Michael D. Rubin State Bar No. 00794566

Respondent

Deborah L. Borio

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