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

IN THE MATTER OF	§	
MATTHEW ALAN SHARP	§	**CAUSE NO. 57786**
State Bar Card No. 24004403	§	

AGREED JUDGMENT OF INDEFINITE DISABILITY SUSPENSION

The Chief Disciplinary Counsel (CDC), upon investigation of a disciplinary complaint, reasonably believes that Matthew Alan Sharp (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, **MATTHEW ALAN SHARP**, State Bar Card No. 24004403, 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, **MATTHEW ALAN SHARP**, 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, **MATTHEW ALAN SHARP**, 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, **MATTHEW ALAN SHARP**, 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.
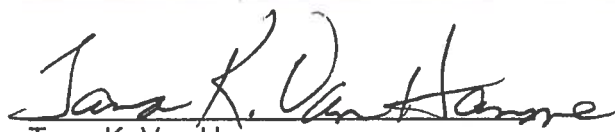
It is further **ORDERED** that Respondent immediately surrender his Texas law license and permanent State Bar Card to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, for transmittal to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas.
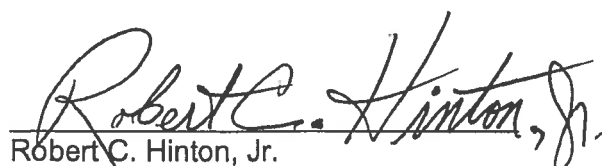
Signed this __1__ day of __May_____, 2017.

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CHAIR PRESIDING

AGREED AS TO BOTH FORM
AND SUBSTANCE:

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Matthew Alan Sharp
Respondent
State Bar No. 24004403

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Tana K. Van Hamme
Assistant Disciplinary Counsel
State Bar of Texas
State Bar No. 20494960

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Robert C. Hinton, Jr.
Respondent's Counsel
State Bar No. 09710800

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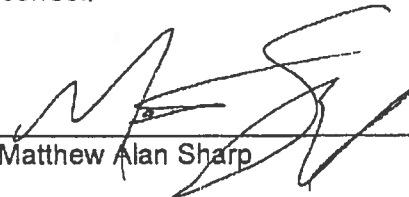|		
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COUNTY OF DALLAS	§	

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, on this day personally appeared Matthew Alan Sharp, State Bar No. 24004403, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed below, and who after being duly sworn, stated on his oath:

"My name is Matthew Alan Sharp. I am over 18 years of age and am competent to make this waiver and am personally acquainted with the facts herein stated.
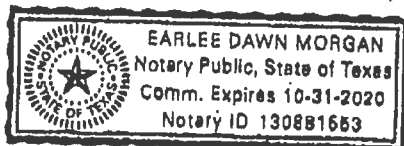
"I hereby waive the right to any disciplinary hearing resulting from the disability complaint filed by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel. I further waive the right to have the Board of Disciplinary Appeals review the record and findings of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel regarding the disability from which I suffer. I further waive the right to a hearing before a District Disability Committee.

"I accept and stipulate to the Chief Disciplinary Counsel's findings that I suffer from a disability and request that the Board of Disciplinary Appeals enter an Order of my indefinite suspension from the practice of law.

"I acknowledge the above to be true and correct."

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Matthew Alan Sharp

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, this 28th day of April, 2017.

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Notary Public, State of Texas

Waiver - Sharp