

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

IN THE MATTER OF
C. TONY WRIGHT,
State Bar of Texas Card No.22025500

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CAUSE NO. 68163

ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S FIRST MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

On this day, the Board of Disciplinary Appeals considered the First Motion for Continuance, filed by Respondent C. Tony Wright. Respondent requests a continuance of the hearing on the Petition for Compulsory Discipline noticed for October 27, 2023. Petitioner, the Commission for Lawyer Discipline, does not oppose the motion.

The Board **GRANTS** the motion for continuance. The Board **ORDERS** that the hearing on the Petition for Compulsory Discipline be reset for Friday, January 26, 2024, at 9:00 am in the courtroom of the Supreme Court of Texas, Austin, Texas.

The Board notes that Respondent's First Motion for Continuance and his Hearing Acknowledgement Form indicate that Respondent intends to call multiple witnesses to testify during the hearing. Respondent should be advised that an order of deferred adjudication is conclusive evidence of guilt under Texas Rule of Disciplinary Procedure 8.02, and the Board will not entertain any attempt to relitigate the underlying criminal matter. However, in accordance with Rule 8.06, Respondent may offer witness testimony in support of an argument that the Board should exercise its discretion to suspend Respondent's license to practice law, as opposed to disbarment under Rule 8.05.

Any relief requested and not expressly granted is denied.

Further continuance requests from Respondent shall be disfavored.

SIGNED this 18th day of October 2023.

CHAIR PRESIDING