

NOTICE TO THE BAR

Re: Defaults Scheduled for Review by the Disciplinary Review Board

The following matters have been certified to the Disciplinary Review Board as defaults, in accordance with R. 1:20-4(f):

In the Matter of Howard A. Miller

Docket No. DRB 19-144

District Docket No. XIV-2017-0641E

In the Matter of Loretta Abramson

Docket no. DRB 19-161

District Docket No. XIV-2018-0268E

In the Matter of Michael J. Viscuso

Docket No. DRB 19-170

District Docket No. XIV-2018-0364E

In the Matter of Brian LeBon Calpin

Docket No. DRB 19-172

District Docket Nos. IIIB-2018-0011E, IIIB-2018-0012E, IIIB-2018-0014E, and IIIB-2018-0031E

These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on Thursday, July 18, 2019. R. 1:20-4(f) provides that an attorney-respondent's failure to timely file an answer "shall be deemed an admission that the allegations of the complaint are true and . . . provide sufficient basis for the imposition of discipline." Although chances for a successful motion are limited, a motion to vacate the default may be filed with the Board by no later than June 20, 2019. MOTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD. The motion should specify why the attorney-respondent failed to file a timely answer (including lack of notice) and should set forth any claimed meritorious defenses to the ethics charge. The motion must also be simultaneously served on the Director of the Office of Attorney Ethics and, where appropriate, the district ethics committee responsible for the underlying ethics matter. A certification regarding that service must accompany any documents filed with the Board.

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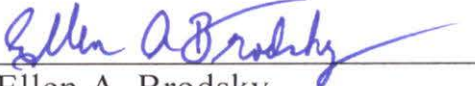
Scheduled: July 18, 2019

Respondents are hereby advised that, generally, in a default matter, the discipline is enhanced to reflect a respondent's failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities as an aggravating factor. In re Kivler, 193 N.J. 332, 338 (2008).

Respondents may communicate with the Board by contacting the Office of Board Counsel at:

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Dated: May 24, 2019


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