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 \underline{R} . 1:20-4(f):

In the Matter of Stephanie Julia Brown

Docket No. DRB 20-210 District Docket No. IV-2018-0058E

In the Matter of Barry J. Beran

Docket No. DRB 20-212 District Docket No. IV-2019-0033E

In the Matter of Irvin Tobin

Docket No. 20-213 District Docket No. XIV-2019-0241E

In the Matter of Zak A. Alialudi

Docket No. 20-228 District Docket No. XIV-2018-0493E

In the Matter of Christopher Michael Manganello

Docket No. 20-235 District Docket No. IV-2019-0051E

In the Matter of Richard A. Luthmann

Docket No. 20-251 District Docket No. XIV-2019-0447E

These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on Thursday, November 19, 2020. 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 October 27, 2020. 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.

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. <u>In re Kivler</u>, 193 N.J. 332, 338 (2008).

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

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Dated: October 2, 2020

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