

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 23-58-RD

Notice Issued: April 2, 2024

Tony L. Axam, P 23925, Atlanta, Georgia, by the Attorney Discipline Board

Five-Year Suspension, Effective March 28, 2024

The Grievance Administrator filed a Combined Notice of Filing of Reciprocal Discipline and Filing of Formal Complaint that attached, in relevant part, a certified copy of an order entered by the Supreme Court of Georgia, accepting the voluntary surrender of respondent's license to practice law in Georgia, on October 5, 2015, in a matter titled *In the Matter of Tony L. Axam*, 297 Ga. 786; 786 SE2d 222 (2015).

An Order Regarding Imposition of Reciprocal Discipline and Holding Formal Complaint in Abeyance was issued by the Board on July 7, 2023, ordering the parties to, within 21 days from service of the order, inform the Board in writing (i) of any objection to the imposition of comparable discipline in Michigan based on the grounds set forth in MCR 9.120(C)(1) and (ii) whether a hearing was requested. The order also ordered the Grievance Administrator to serve respondent with the July 7, 2023 order and formal complaint, but the assignment of a hearing panel and respondent's requirement to file an answer to the formal complaint were held in abeyance until further order of the Board.

On February 28, 2024, the Board issued an order that suspended respondent's license to practice law in Michigan for five years, effective March 28, 2024. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,541.16. The Board further ordered that the formal complaint be severed from the reciprocal discipline matter, to be assigned to a hearing panel for further proceedings with regard to the formal complaint.