

Attorney Discipline Board

GRIEVANCE ADMINISTRATOR,
Attorney Grievance Commission,

Petitioner/Appellee/Cross-Appellee,

v

Case No. 20-13-GA

ANDREW A. PATERSON, P 18690,

Respondent/Appellant/Cross-Appellee,

v

FLOYD E. ALLEN, P 31260
DAVID H. FINK, P 28235
LAWRENCE T. GARCIA P 54890
JEFFREY M. SANGSTER P 30791
CHRISTOPHER M. TREBILCOCK P 62101

Complainants/Appellees/Cross-Appellants.

ORDER DENYING COMPLAINANTS' MOTION TO LIFT AUTOMATIC STAY

Issued by the Attorney Discipline Board
333 W. Fort St., Ste. 1700, Detroit, MI

On July 27, 2023, Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #2 of the Attorney Discipline Board issued an Order of 100-Day Suspension With Conditions, effective August 18, 2023. On August 16, 2023, respondent filed a petition for review, seeking review of both the findings of misconduct and the sanction imposed. Respondent also filed a petition for stay of proceedings pursuant to MCR 9.115(K). A notice of automatic stay was issued on August 23, 2023. Complainants Lawrence Garcia, David Fink, and Floyd Allen filed a cross-petition for review, asserting that the sanction imposed is insufficient for the misconduct found. On September 13, 2023, complainants also filed a motion to lift the automatic stay, arguing that respondent "presents a continuing danger to the public, the courts, and the legal profession."

The Attorney Discipline Board has considered complainants' motion, together with the response filed by respondent, and complainants' reply, and the Board is otherwise fully advised;

NOW THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED that complainants' motion to lift the automatic stay filed on September 13, 2023, is **DENIED** for the reason that complainants have not established good cause for the granting of that relief.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent's request for sanctions is **DENIED**.

ATTORNEY DISCIPLINE BOARD

By: /s/ Peter A. Smit

Dated: October 25, 2023

Vice-Chairperson