

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
MARK STEWART BENNETT
Ohio Atty. Reg. No. 0069823
RESPONDENT**

**Case No. 2:24-mc-0005
Chief Judge Algenon L. Marbley**


ORDER

IT APPEARING TO THE COURT that on December 29, 2023, the Supreme Court of Ohio has entered a suspension from the practice of law in Ohio for a period of two years with the entire suspension stayed on the conditions that he commit no further misconduct, pursuant to Gov.Bar R. V(12)(A)(3) of the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio, and in accordance with Rule II of the Model Federal Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement, adopted by this Court on February 1, 1979,

IT IS ORDERED that Respondent shall show cause, if any has, within thirty (30) days after service of this order, of any claim under the grounds set forth in Section (D) of said Rule II, why this Court should not impose the identical discipline on Respondent heretofore imposed by the Supreme Court of Ohio. Said Respondent is admonished that his failure to show cause within 30 days by a pleading filed with the Clerk of this Court shall be deemed a waiver of his rights in the premises and constitute grounds for this Court to enter the order prescribed herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall cause a copy of this order to be served on said Respondent, by certified mail, return receipt requested to Mark Stewart Bennett, Bennett Legal, LLC, 5546 Pearl Road, Parma, OH 44129 and to be published to this Court's official website.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Algenon L. Marbley, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Southern District of Ohio

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The Supreme Court of Ohio

Disciplinary Counsel,
Relator,
v.
Mark Stewart Bennett,
Respondent.

Case No. 2023-0471

ON CERTIFIED REPORT BY THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL
CONDUCT OF THE SUPREME COURT

ORDER

The Board of Professional Conduct filed its final report in this court on April 7, 2023, recommending that pursuant to Gov.Bar R. V(12)(A)(3), respondent, Mark Stewart Bennett, be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months with reinstatement on condition. Respondent filed objections to said final report, relator filed an answer, oral argument was held, and this cause was considered by the court.

On consideration thereof, it is ordered and adjudged by this court that pursuant to Gov.Bar R. V(12)(A)(3) and consistent with the opinion rendered herein, respondent, Mark Stewart Bennett, Attorney Registration No. 0069823, last known business address in Westlake, Ohio, is suspended from the practice of law in Ohio for two years, with the entire suspension stayed on the conditions that he commit no further misconduct, that he continue with his current course of mental-health counseling for the duration of the suspension, and that in the event his treating professional determines that his counseling is complete before he has fully served the suspension, he report to the Ohio Lawyers Assistant Program ("OLAP") and comply with any OLAP recommendations. It is further ordered that if respondent fails to comply with a condition of the stay, the stay will be revoked and he will be required to serve the full two-year suspension.

It is further ordered that the Office of Attorney Services shall not issue a certificate of good standing to respondent during any period of suspension, including any stayed period of suspension.

It is further ordered that respondent be taxed the costs of these proceedings in the amount of \$691.92, which costs shall be payable to this court by cashier's check or money order on or before 90 days from the date of this order. It is further ordered that if these costs are not paid in full on or before 90 days from the date of this order, interest at the rate of 10% per annum shall accrue as of 90 days from the date of this order and the matter may be referred to the Attorney General for collection. It is further ordered that respondent is liable for all collection costs pursuant to R.C. 131.02 if the debt is certified to the Attorney General for collection. It is further ordered that if costs are not paid in full on or before 90 days from the date of this order, respondent may be held in contempt and suspended until costs and all accrued interest are paid in full.

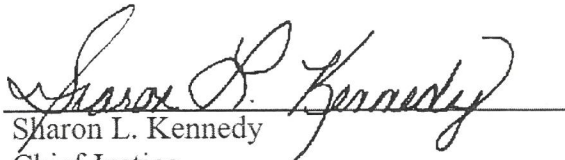
It is further ordered by the court that within 90 days of the date of this order, respondent shall reimburse any amounts that have been awarded against respondent by the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VIII(7)(F). It is further ordered by the court that if after the date of this order the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection awards any amount against respondent pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VIII(7)(F), respondent shall reimburse that amount to the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection within 90 days of the notice of such award.

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It is further ordered that respondent shall keep the clerk and disciplinary counsel advised of any change of address where respondent may receive communications.

It is further ordered that service shall be deemed made on respondent by sending this order, and all other orders in this case, to respondent's last known address.

It is further ordered that the clerk of this court issue certified copies of this order as provided for in Gov.Bar R. V(17)(E)(1) and that publication be made as provided for in Gov.Bar R. V(17)(E)(2).


Sharon L. Kennedy
Chief Justice

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this document
is a true and accurate copy of the
entry of the Supreme Court of Ohio
filed 12-29-2023 in Supreme
Court case number 2023-0471

In witness whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed the
seal of the Supreme Court of Ohio
on this 29th day of Dec, 2023


CLERK OF COURT
_____, Deputy

The official case announcement, and opinion if issued, can be found at <http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/ROD/docs/>