

State of Maine

MAINE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

Docket No. BAR-24-2 8

BOARD OF OVERSEERS OF THE BAR)
Plaintiff)
v.)
LYNNE A. WILLIAMS, Esq.)
of Bar Harbor, ME)
Me. Bar #009267)
Defendant)

**EX PARTE ORDER
OF IMMEDIATE INTERIM
SUSPENSION M.Bar R. 24(a)**

By filing dated December 17, 2024, the Board of Overseers of the Bar (the Board) petitioned this Court for an Ex Parte Order of Interim Suspension of Lynne Williams from the practice of law in the State of Maine. Incorporated with the Board's Petition were the Confidential Affidavit of Assistant Bar Counsel and related exhibits.

Based upon the Board's submissions, the Court concludes that the submitted evidence supports the existence of exigent circumstances as well as a finding that Williams has committed multiple violations of the Maine Rules of Professional Conduct. Specifically, the Court finds that the Board's evidence demonstrates Williams violations of at least M. R. Prof. Conduct 1.3; 1.4; 1.5(h), 1.15(a)(b); 8.1(b) and 8.4(a)(b)(c)(d).

Under the facts presented by the Board, this Court concludes that Attorney Williams' misconduct serves as an imminent threat to clients, the public and to the administration of justice.

Effective immediately, this Court ORDERS that Lynne A. Williams shall now be suspended from the practice of law in Maine, until further Order of this Court.

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The Court further ORDERS that Williams shall vacate her law office(s) (including any home office), immediately cease practicing law, and immediately cease operations of any and all of her websites, Facebook/social media account(s) and any other form of advertising of his legal services during the period of her suspension.

Additionally, Williams shall immediately surrender possession and control of all client files, her keys to her law offices, her law office operating and client trust bank accounts, and all computer and mobile devices/equipment utilized by her for the practice of law. In that regard, Williams shall provide all necessary login and password information to the Court-Appointed Receiver and surrender any such items or information listed above as soon as requested by the Board or the Court's Receiver. She shall also cooperate with the Receiver in all aspects so as to protect the interests of his clients.

Williams is prohibited from removing any funds, files, data, checkbooks, financial records/bank information, client property, computer hardware/software or any client related or law office related items. With advance notice/request to the Receiver, Williams may return to the law office, accompanied by the Receiver (or agent thereof) to retrieve her personal belongings.

If Williams seeks payment for any professional services, she shall enumerate to this Court the basis for his pursuit of payment, by providing a detailed accounting of her time for the specific service or client matter.

Finally, Williams' is prohibited from service as a fiduciary, and she is ORDERED to immediately relinquish any position as a designated fiduciary and

take steps to receive any discharge from courts or entities that have recorded such fiduciary service.

Under separate order the Court shall appoint a Receiver to wind down the law office and protect the interests of Williams' clients.

Dated: 12-17-2024

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