State of New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division Third Judicial Department

Decided and Entered: August 9, 2018 D-98-18

In the Matter of MORIAH HOWAT BERGER, Also Known as MORIAH HOWAT BERGER ALLEN, an Attorney.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER ON MOTION

(Attorney Registration No. 4652046)

Calendar Date: August 6, 2018

Before: Lynch, J.P., Clark, Mulvey, Aarons and Rumsey, JJ.

Moriah Howat Berger, Richmond, Virginia, pro se.

Monica A. Duffy, Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department, Albany, for Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department.

Per Curiam.

Moriah Howat Berger was admitted to practice by this Court in 2009 and lists a business address in Richmond, Virginia with the Office of Court Administration. Berger now seeks leave to resign from the New York bar for nondisciplinary reasons (see Rules for Attorney Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.22 [a]). The Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department (hereinafter AGC) advises that it does not oppose Berger's application.

Upon reading Berger's affidavit sworn to July 5, 2018 and filed July 9, 2018, and upon reading the July 31, 2018 correspondence in response by the Chief Attorney for AGC, and having determined that Berger is eligible to resign for nondisciplinary reasons, we grant her application and accept her resignation.

Lynch, J.P., Clark, Mulvey, Aarons and Rumsey, JJ., concur.

ORDERED that Moriah Howat Berger's application for permission to resign is granted and her nondisciplinary resignation is accepted; and it is further

ORDERED that Moriah Howat Berger's name is hereby stricken from the roll of attorneys and counselors-at-law of the State of New York, effective immediately, and until further order of this Court (see generally Rules for Attorney Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.22 [b]); and it is further

ORDERED that Moriah Howat Berger is commanded to desist and refrain from the practice of law in any form in the State of New York, either as principal or as agent, clerk or employee of another; and Berger is hereby forbidden to appear as an attorney or counselor-at-law before any court, judge, justice, board, commission or other public authority, or to give to another an opinion as to the law or its application, or any advice in relation thereto, or to hold herself out in any way as an attorney and counselor-at-law in this State; and it is further

ORDERED that Moriah Howat Berger shall, within 30 days of the date of this decision, surrender to the Office of Court Administration any Attorney Secure Pass issued to her.

ENTER:

Robert D. Mayberger Clerk of the Court