

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

Decided and Entered: May 30, 2013

D-27-13

In the Matter of STACIE J.
BRUNET, an Attorney.

COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL
STANDARDS,

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Petitioner;

STACIE J. BRUNET,

Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 4071148)

Calendar Date: April 15, 2013

Before: Stein, J.P., Spain, Garry and Egan Jr., JJ.

Peter M. Torncello, Committee on Professional Standards,
Albany (Michael G. Gaynor of counsel), for petitioner.

Corrigan, McCoy & Bush, PLLC, Rensselaer (Scott W. Bush of
counsel), for respondent.

Per Curiam.

Respondent was admitted to practice by this Court in 2002.
She maintains an office for the practice of law in the City of
Saratoga Springs, Saratoga County.

On February 13, 2013, respondent was convicted upon her
plea of guilty in Fulton County Court of the crime of driving
while intoxicated, a class E felony. Petitioner moves pursuant
to Judiciary Law § 90 (4) (a) and (b) to strike respondent's name
from the roll of attorneys. Respondent opposes the motion and
requests that the Court consider her mitigating circumstances.

By operation of law (see Judiciary Law § 90 [4] [a]), respondent was automatically disbarred and ceased to be an attorney when she entered her guilty plea to a felony and we, therefore, grant petitioner's motion to strike respondent's name from the role of attorneys, a formality which merely confirms respondent's disbarred status (see Matter of Hutson, 72 AD3d 1328 [2010]; Matter of Krouner, 305 AD2d 932 [2003]; see also Matter of Shmaruk, 29 AD3d 138 [2006]).

Stein, J.P., Spain, Garry and Egan Jr., JJ., concur.


ORDERED that petitioner's motion is granted; and it is further

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ORDERED that respondent is commanded to desist and refrain from the practice of law in any form, either as principal or as agent, clerk or employee of another; and respondent 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; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall comply with the provisions of this Court's rules regulating the conduct of disbarred attorneys (see 22 NYCRR 806.9).

ENTER:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert D. Mayberger". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Robert D. Mayberger
Clerk of the Court