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

Decided and Entered: March 31, 2022

PM-66-22

In the Matter of PAUL G. KOSTRO,

an Attorney.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER ON MOTION

(Attorney Registration No. 2208056)

(According Registration No. 2200000)

Calendar Date: March 28, 2022

Before: Aarons, J.P., Pritzker, Colangelo, Ceresia and

Fisher, JJ.

Paul G. Kostro, Westfield, New Jersey, 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.

Paul G. Kostro was admitted to practice by this Court in 1988 and lists a business address in Westfield, New Jersey with the Office of Court Administration. Kostro 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 Kostro's application.

Upon reading Kostro's affidavit sworn to January 31, 2022 and filed February 1, 2022, and upon reading the March 21, 2022 correspondence in response by the Chief Attorney for AGC, and having determined that Kostro is eligible to resign for

nondisciplinary reasons, we grant his application and accept his resignation.

Aarons, J.P., Pritzker, Colangelo, Ceresia and Fisher, JJ., concur.

ORDERED that Paul G. Kostro's application for permission to resign is granted and his nondisciplinary resignation is accepted; and it is further

ORDERED that Paul G. Kostro'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 Paul G. Kostro 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 Kostro 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 himself out in any way as an attorney and counselor-at-law in this State; and it is further

ORDERED that Paul G. Kostro shall, within 30 days of the date of this decision, surrender to the Office of Court Administration any Attorney Secure Pass issued to him.

ENTER:

Robert D. Mayberger Clerk of the Court