

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

Decided and Entered: August 10, 2023

PM-166-23

In the Matter of WILLIAM J. RIINA,
an Attorney.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
ON MOTION

(Attorney Registration No. 1967256)

Calendar Date: August 7, 2023

Before: Garry, P.J., Lynch, Aarons, Reynolds Fitzgerald and Fisher, JJ.

William J. Riina, North Haledon, 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.

William J. Riina was admitted to practice by this Court in 1985 and lists a business address in Florham Park, New Jersey with the Office of Court Administration. Riina now seeks leave to resign from the New York bar for nondisciplinary reasons (*see* Rules for Atty Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.22 [a]). The Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department (hereinafter AGC) advises that it does not oppose Riina's application.

Upon reading Riina's affidavit sworn to June 6, 2023 and filed June 12, 2023, and upon reading the July 31, 2023 correspondence in response by the Chief Attorney for AGC, and having determined that Riina is eligible to resign for nondisciplinary reasons, we grant his application and accept his resignation.

Garry, P.J., Lynch, Aarons, Reynolds Fitzgerald and Fisher, JJ., concur.

ORDERED that William J. Riina's application for permission to resign is granted and his nondisciplinary resignation is accepted; and it is further

ORDERED that William J. Riina'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 Atty Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.22 [b]); and it is further

ORDERED that William J. Riina 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 Riina 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 William J. Riina 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:

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