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

Decided and Entered: September 7, 2023

PM-207-23

In the Matter of ATTORNEYS IN VIOLATION OF JUDICIARY LAW § 468-a.

ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, Petitioner;

DECISION AND ORDER ON MOTION

BEVERLY JEANNETTE WATSON, Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 3041860)

Calendar Date: July 24, 2023

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

Beverly Jeannette Watson, Mountain View, California, respondent pro se.

Motion by respondent for an order reinstating her to the practice of law following her suspension by May 2019 order of this Court (*Matter of Attorneys in Violation of Judiciary Law § 468-a*, 172 AD3d 1706, 1758 [3d Dept 2019]; *see* Rules for Atty Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.16; Rules of App Div, 3d Dept [22 NYCRR] § 806.16).

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Upon reading respondent's notice of motion and affidavit with exhibits sworn to June 16, 2023 and the July 21, 2023 responsive correspondence from the Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department, and having determined, by clear and convincing evidence, that (1) respondent has satisfied the requirements of Rules of the Appellate Division, Third Department (22 NYCRR) § 806.16 (c) (5), (2) respondent has complied with the order of suspension and the rules of this Court, (3) respondent has the requisite character and fitness to practice law, and (4) it would be in the public interest to reinstate respondent to the practice of law (*see* Rules for Atty Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.16 [a]), it is

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ORDERED that respondent's motion for reinstatement is granted; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent is reinstated as an attorney and counselor-at-law, effective immediately.

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

ENTER:

Robert D. Mayberger Clerk of the Court