

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

Decided and Entered: September 28, 2023

PM-219-23

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

ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE
COMMITTEE FOR THE
THIRD JUDICIAL
DEPARTMENT,

DECISION AND ORDER
ON MOTION

Petitioner;

RHONDA ARMSTRONG TIETJEN,
Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 3040805)

Calendar Date: September 5, 2023

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

Rhonda Armstrong Tietjen, Boston, Massachusetts, 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, 1756 [3d Dept 2019]; *see* Rules for Atty Disciplinary Matters [22 NYCRR] § 1240.16; Rules of App Div, 3d Dept [22 NYCRR] § 806.16).

Upon reading respondent's notice of motion and affidavit with exhibits sworn to June 16, 2023, her reply with exhibits dated August 31, 2023, her supplemental correspondence with exhibits dated September 11, 2023, and the August 18, 2023 responsive correspondence and the September 6, 2023 surreply 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

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., Egan Jr., Lynch, Clark and Aarons, JJ., concur.

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