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

Decided and Entered: May 30, 2024

PM-105-24

In the Matter of HELEN VERA, an Attorney.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER ON MOTION

(Attorney Registration No. 5214416)

Calendar Date: May 28, 2024

Before: Garry, P.J., Egan Jr., Clark, Aarons and Reynolds Fitzgerald, JJ.

Helen Vera, Arlington, Virginia, pro se.

Monica A. Duffy, Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department, Albany (Alison M. Coan of counsel), for Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department.

Per Curiam.

Helen Vera was admitted to practice by this Court in 2014 and lists a business address in Washington, DC with the Office of Court Administration. Vera 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 Vera's application.

Upon reading Vera's affidavit sworn to April 25, 2024 and filed May 2, 2024, and upon reading the May 21, 2024 correspondence in response by the Deputy Chief Attorney for AGC, and having determined that Vera is eligible to resign for nondisciplinary reasons, we grant her application and accept her resignation.

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Garry, P.J., Egan Jr., Clark, Aarons and Reynolds Fitzgerald, JJ., concur.

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ORDERED that Helen Vera's application for permission to resign is granted and her nondisciplinary resignation is accepted; and it is further

ORDERED that Helen Vera'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 Helen Vera 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 Vera is hereby forbidden to appear as an attorney or counselorat-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 herself out in any way as an attorney and counselor-at-law in this State; and it is further

ORDERED that Helen Vera shall, within 30 days of the date of this decision, surrender to the Office of Court Administration any Attorney Secure Pass issued to her.

ENTER:

Robert D. Mayberger Clerk of the Court