

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

Decided and Entered: March 7, 2024

PM-29-24

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

COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL
STANDARDS, Now Known as
ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE
COMMITTEE FOR THE
THIRD JUDICIAL
DEPARTMENT,

DECISION AND ORDER
ON MOTION

Petitioner;

AMANTE ALBANO PIMENTEL,
Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 2195782)

Calendar Date: February 13, 2024

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.

Foley Griffin LLP, Garden City (Chris McDonough of counsel), for respondent.

Motion by respondent for an order reinstating him to the practice of law following his suspension by September 2009 order of this Court (*Matter of Attorneys in Violation of Judiciary Law § 468-a*, 65 AD3d 1447, 1472 [3d Dept 2009]; 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 December 21, 2023, and the February 6, 2024 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

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.

Aarons, J.P., Lynch, Ceresia, McShan and Mackey, 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