

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

Decided and Entered: January 16, 2025

PM-15-25

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;

HIDEFUMI NAITO,

Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 2818292)

Calendar Date: December 9, 2024

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

*Williams & Connolly, LLP, Washington, DC (William D. Ferraro of counsel), for
respondent.*

Motion by respondent for an order reinstating them to the practice of law
following their suspension by September 2009 order of this Court (*Matter of Attorneys in
Violation of Judiciary Law § 468-a*, 65 AD3d 1447, 1469 [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 October 30, 2024 and the December 2, 2024 responsive correspondence from petitioner, 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.

Pritzker, J.P., Lynch, Fisher, 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