

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

Decided and Entered: February 13, 2025

PM-46-25

In the Matter of KAREN PALERMO
GASTER, an Attorney.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
ON MOTION

(Attorney Registration No. 4711404)

Calendar Date: February 10, 2025

Before: Aarons, J.P., Pritzker, Lynch, McShan and Powers, JJ.

Karen Palermo Gaster, Wayne, Pennsylvania, 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.

Karen Palermo Gaster was admitted to practice by this Court in 2009 and lists a business address in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania with the Office of Court Administration. Gaster 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 Gaster's application.

Upon reading Gaster's affidavit sworn to January 24, 2025 and filed January 28, 2025, and upon reading the February 5, 2025 correspondence in response by the Deputy Chief Attorney for AGC, and having determined that Gaster is eligible to resign for nondisciplinary reasons, we grant her application and accept her resignation.

Aarons, J.P., Pritzker, Lynch, McShan and Powers, JJ., concur.

ORDERED that Karen Palermo Gaster's application for permission to resign is granted and her nondisciplinary resignation is accepted; and it is further

ORDERED that Karen Palermo Gaster'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 Karen Palermo Gaster 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 Gaster is hereby forbidden to appear as an attorney or counselor-at-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 Karen Palermo Gaster 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:

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