

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

Decided and Entered: March 20, 2025

PM-81-25

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;

CHARLES RENEE GERARD
SIMMONS,

Respondent.

(Attorney Registration No. 5278387)

Calendar Date: February 24, 2025

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.

Charles Renee Gerard Simmons, Plainfield, New Jersey, respondent pro se.

Motion by respondent for an order reinstating him to the practice of law following his suspension by September 2024 order of this Court (*Matter of Attorneys in Violation of Judiciary Law § 468-a*, 230 AD3d 1498, 1518 [3d Dept 2024]; 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 exhibit sworn to January 15, 2025 and the February 20, 2025 responsive correspondence from the Attorney Grievance Committee for the Third Judicial Department, and having determined, by clear and convincing evidence, that (1) respondent has complied with the order of suspension and the rules of this Court, (2) respondent has the requisite character and fitness to practice law, and (3) 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.

Egan Jr., J.P., Aarons, Reynolds Fitzgerald, Fisher 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