

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

In the Matter of a Member of the §  
Bar of the Supreme Court of the §  
State of Delaware: § No. 465, 2001  
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CHRISTOPHER A. AMALFITANO §  
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Respondent §

Submitted: October 10, 2001  
Decided: October 16, 2001

Before **HOLLAND, BERGER** and **STEELE**, Justices.

**O R D E R**

AND NOW, this 16th day of October, 2001, it appearing to the Court that, upon receipt of sufficient evidence demonstrating that Christopher A. Amalfitano, Esquire (“Respondent”), a lawyer subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Board on Professional Responsibility and the Court, poses a substantial threat of irreparable harm to his clients, his prospective clients, and the orderly administration of justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1) Respondent is hereby assigned immediately to disability inactive status, pursuant to Delaware Lawyers’ Rules of Disciplinary Procedure Rule 19(c), subject to the following restrictions:

(a) Respondent shall not practice law in this State or in any other jurisdiction.

(b) Notice of Respondent's transfer to disability inactive status shall be disseminated pursuant to Disciplinary Procedure Rule 23.

(c) Respondent shall cooperate with the Office of Disciplinary Counsel to protect the interests of his clients in making arrangements for the orderly transfer of their matters to another attorney.

2) Further proceedings with respect to the petition for interim suspension are deferred pending further order of this Court.

3) All other disciplinary proceedings involving the Respondent shall continue to go forward in accordance with the normal rules and procedures of the Board on Professional Responsibility, unless the Respondent asserts his disability as a basis for holding those proceedings in abeyance.

4) In the event that it becomes necessary, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel is hereby authorized to make application to the Court of Chancery pursuant to Disciplinary Procedure Rule 24 for appointment

as the Receiver of the Respondent's law practice pending further order of this Court.

5) There are no time limitations on the Respondent's right to petition the Court for a transfer to active status in accordance with Disciplinary Procedure Rule 19(e).

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Randy J. Holland  
Justice