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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS

No. 00-BG-518

IN RE DEMETRIOS C. KIRKILES, RESPONDENT.

A Member of the Bar
of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals

On Report and Recommendation
of the Board on Professional Responsibility

(Decided August 23, 2001)

Before STEADMAN and RUIZ, *Associate Judges*, and BELSON, *Senior Judge*.

PER CURIAM: Respondent Demetrios C. Kirkiles is a member of the Florida Bar and the bar of this court. In March 1999, the Supreme Court of Florida publicly reprimanded respondent after he pled guilty to several disciplinary charges. Specifically, respondent admitted to failing to provide competent representation, failing to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client, engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice, and attempting to improperly limit his malpractice liability to a client.

The Board on Professional Responsibility (“Board”) recommends reciprocal discipline of a public censure. A public censure is functionally equivalent to the public reprimand issued by the Supreme Court of Florida. *See In re Macaulay*, 737 A.2d 552, 553 (D.C. 1999); *In re Dreier*, 651 A.2d 312 (D.C. 1994). Neither Bar Counsel nor respondent objects to the Board’s report and recommendation. Given our limited scope of review and the presumption in favor of identical reciprocal discipline, we adopt the Board’s

recommendation. *See In re Goldsborough*, 654 A.2d 1285 (D.C. 1995); *In re Zilberberg*, 612 A.2d 832, 834 (D.C. 1992); D.C. Bar R. XI, § 11 (f). Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Demetrios C. Kirkiles be and hereby is publicly censured.

So ordered.