UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2010-101

IN RE: ANN BITTERMAN FLORIDA BAR #621791

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ORDER OF DISBARMENT

This matter is before the Court on an Order to Show Cause, issued May 4, 2010, why this Court should not impose reciprocal discipline identical to that exercised by the Florida Supreme Court. That Court in *The Florida Bar v. Bitterman*, 33 So. 3d 686 (Fla. 2010) approved the findings of fact and recommendation of guilt in the Report of the Referee, but instead of the recommended thirty-day suspension, imposed disbarment upon attorney Bitterman. The attorney filed a Motion for Enlargement of Time for Filing of Response to Order to Show Cause on June 2, 2010, which was granted by this Court, providing the attorney time to file a response up through and including June 18, 2010. The attorney then filed a Motion for Second Enlargement of Time for Filing Response to Order to Show Cause on June 17, 2010, which was denied by this Court. To date, no response has been received.

Rule 5(d) of the Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, provides in pertinent part that after expiration of the time for submitting a response to an Order to Show Cause, "the Court may impose the identical discipline or may impose any other sanction the Court may deem appropriate." Pursuant to Rule 5(d) and the Court's inherent power to regulate membership in its bar for the protection of the public interest, *see Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 43 (1991) ("[A] federal court has the power to control admission to its bar and to discipline attorneys who appear before it,"),

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that attorney Ann Bitterman be disbarred from practice in this Court, effective immediately. The Clerk of Court shall strike this attorney from the roll of attorneys for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, and shall also immediately revoke the attorney's CM/ECF password.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by this Court that said attorney advise the Clerk of Court of all pending cases before this Court in which she is counsel or co-counsel of record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by this Court that the Clerk of Court shall serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Disbarment upon the attorney at her court record address.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this day of July, 2010.

FEBERICO A. MORENO CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

c: Honorable Joel F. Dubina, Chief Judge, Eleventh Circuit
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All Southern District and Magistrate Judges
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