## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2015-34**

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## In re: DANIEL GARY GASS Florida Bar # 19569

## **ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

The Supreme Court of Florida has entered an Order of Suspension dated December 18, 2014, suspending Daniel Gary Gass from the practice of law for one (1) year. See The Florida Bar v. Gass, 153 So. 3d 886 (Fla. 2014). The Florida Supreme Court approved the findings of fact and, in part, the referee's recommendation of guilt in the report of referee, but disapproved the recommended sanctions of a sixty (60) day suspension and instead imposed a one (1) year suspension. The Clerk served attorney Gass by certified mail with an Order to Show Cause why this Court should not impose the same discipline, accompanied by the Supreme Court of Florida's Order of Suspension. Service at Mr. Gass' Florida Bar address was signed by an illegible signature without the notation as to "agent" or "addressee" and service at his court record address was signed by Daniel Scarola without the notation as to "agent" or "addressee".

Rule 5(a) of the Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, requires that "[a]n attorney admitted to practice before this Court shall, upon being subjected to suspension or disbarment ... promptly inform the Clerk of the Court of such action." Rule 5(d) 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." Even if service is contested, Local Rule 11.1(g) imposes upon the members of this Bar an obligation to provide updated contact information to the Clerk within seven days of any change, and that "the failure to comply shall not constitute grounds for relief from deadlines imposed by Rule or by the Court." This obligation to maintain current contact information is reiterated in the Court's CM/ECF

Administrative Procedures Manual, section 3D, compliance with which is mandated by Local Rule 5.1. Given this background, pursuant to Rule 5(a) and (d), Local Rule 11.1(g), 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 that said attorney be suspended from practice in this Court effective immediately, for one (1) year. The attorney may not resume the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by Order of this Court. *See* Rule 9(a). The Clerk of Court shall strike this attorney from the roll of attorneys eligible to practice in 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 he is counsel or co-counsel of record.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by this Court that the Clerk of Court shall attempt to serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension upon the attorney at his Florida Bar address.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this <u>4th</u> day of May, 2015.

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K. MICHAEL MOORE CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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