UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

In re: SCOTT LOWELL PODVIN FLORIDA BAR # 5053

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2017-16



ORDER OF SUSPENSION

The Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension dated February 16, 2017, suspending Scott Lowell Podvin from the practice of law for eighteen (18) months. *See The Florida Bar v. Podvin*, No. SC17-115, 2017 WL 629436 (Fla. Feb. 16, 2017). That Order of Suspension was predicated on an Unconditional Guilty Plea for Consent Judgment. Rule 6(b) of the Rules Governing Attorney Discipline, Local Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, provides that "[a]n attorney ... who shall be suspended ... on consent ... from the bar of any state ... while an investigation into allegations of misconduct is pending shall ... cease to be permitted to practice before this Court." Under these circumstances involving suspension on consent, service of an Order to Show Cause is unnecessary and the attorney may be immediately suspended. Pursuant to Rule 6(b) and the inherent authority of this Court to oversee officers admitted to membership in its bar, *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. The attorney may not resume the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by order of this Court. *See* Rule 9(a).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that 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 attempt to serve by

certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension upon the attorney at his court record address.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this <u>17th</u>

day of March, 2017.

K. MICHAEL MOORE CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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