UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-23 CASE # 21-MC-20526

IN RE: WILLIAM ROBERT AMLONG FLORIDA BAR # 470228 FILED BY <u>CC</u> D.C.

Mar 16, 2021

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ORDER OF SUSPENSION

On February 4, 2021, the Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension, suspending William Robert Amlong from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Amlong,* No. SC17-150, 2021 WL 408774 (Fla. Feb. 4, 2021) (ECF No. 1). The suspension was predicated on a second amended report of referee and briefs filed in the case. The Clerk served attorney Amlong 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. (ECF No. 2). On February 18, 2021, Amlong filed a response to the Order to Show Cause, requesting the Court to "run the [reciprocal] suspension for the period reflected in the February 4, 2021 Order [by the Florida Supreme Court]." (ECF No. 3).

Rule 8(a) of the Rules Governing the Admission, Practice, Peer Review, and Discipline of Attorneys, 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 reprimand, discipline, suspension, or disbarment by a court of any state . . . promptly inform the Clerk of the Court of such action." Rule 8(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." Given this background, pursuant to Rule 8(a) and (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 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 12(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 attempt to serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension upon the attorney at his court record and Florida Bar address.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida, this <u>16th</u> day of March, 2021.

K. MICHAEL MOORE
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

c: All South Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judges

All Southern District Judges

All Southern District Bankruptcy Judges

All Southern District Magistrate Judges

United States Attorney

Circuit Executive

Federal Public Defender

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