UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-22

IN RE: LAWRENCE ARTHUR FULLER FLORIDA BAR # 180470

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ORDER GRANTING TENDER OF UNCONDITIONAL RESIGNATION

On November 4, 2021, United States District Judge K. Michael Moore issued an Order referring attorney Lawrence A. Fuller to the Ad Hoc Committee on Attorney Admissions, Peer Review, and Attorney Grievance ("Committee") for investigation into the attorney's legal representation in Americans with Disabilities Act cases to determine whether he has violated Rule 4-3.1 of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, which prohibits knowingly bringing frivolous actions. *See Helen Swartz v. Sukkah Miami Beach Acquisitions LLC*, Case No. 21-cv-23317-KMM, Order [ECF No. 20 at 6], filed Nov. 4, 2021 (S.D. Fla. 2021). Following that referral, pursuant to Rule 6(c)(2) 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, the Committee formed an Investigative Committee to conduct a preliminary investigation.

Pending investigation, Mr. Fuller, through his attorney, tendered to the Committee in writing an unconditional resignation from this Court's Bar. Rule 9(c) provides that "[a]n attorney may resign from the bar of this Court by notifying the Clerk of Court in writing and only if the attorney is in good standing, is not counsel of record in an active case, and is not subject to any disciplinary proceedings." *Id.* (alteration added).

Given this background, pursuant to Rule 9(c) 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." (alteration added)),

IT IS ORDERED, effective immediately, that any further disciplinary investigation by the

Committee of Mr. Fuller in the pending matter shall CEASE and Mr. Fuller's tender of

unconditional resignation is GRANTED. Mr. Fuller is ineligible to practice in this Court until

he reapplies for admission.

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 that Mr. Fuller shall 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 that the Clerk of Court shall serve by certified mail a copy

of this Order Granting Tender of Unconditional Resignation upon Mr. Fuller's attorney.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida, this 9th day of March, 2022.

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished as follows: See attached

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c: All South Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judges

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