

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-31  
CASE NO. 22-MC-20510

IN RE: JONATHAN STEPHEN SCHWARTZ  
FLORIDA BAR # 579361

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**Apr 4, 2022**

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**ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

On February 17, 2022, the Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension, suspending Jonathan Stephen Schwartz from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Schwartz*, No. SC17-1391, 2022 WL 484167 (Fla. Feb. 17, 2022) [ECF No. 1]. The suspension was predicated on a report of referee. The Clerk attempted to serve Mr. Schwartz 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. (*See* [ECF No. 2]). A return receipt received from service at Mr. Schwartz’s court record and Florida Bar address was signed “C19” without notation as to “agent” or “addressee.”


Rule 8(d) 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, provides in 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.” *Id.* Even if service is contested, Local Rule 11.1(g) imposes upon the members of this Bar an obligation to provide the Clerk updated contact information within seven days of any change; “the failure to comply shall not constitute grounds for relief from deadlines imposed by Rule or by the Court.” *Id.* 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, under Rule 8(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.” (alteration added)),

**IT IS ORDERED** that Mr. Schwartz is suspended from practice in this Court, effective immediately. Mr. Schwartz may not resume the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by order of the 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** that the Clerk of Court shall attempt to serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension upon Mr. Schwartz at his court record and Florida Bar address. Mr. Schwartz shall forthwith advise the Clerk of Court of all pending cases before the Court in which he is counsel or co-counsel of record.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Miami, Florida, this 4th day of April, 2022.

  
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CECILIA M. ALTONAGA  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished as follows:  
See attached

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