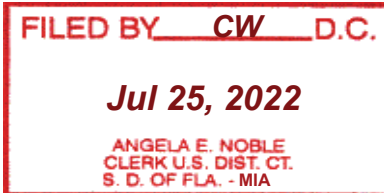


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022-57
CASE NO. 22-MC-21846

IN RE: GREGORY MICHAEL NORDT
FLORIDA BAR # 67067



ORDER OF SUSPENSION

On June 15, 2022, the Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension, suspending Gregory Michael Nordt from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Nordt*, No. SC22-789, 2022 WL 2152711 (Fla. June 15, 2022) [ECF No. 1]. The suspension was predicated on a Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt [ECF No. 2], which disclosed that Mr. Nordt entered a plea of nolo contendere to leaving the scene of a crash with personal injuries, a third degree felony, before the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida, in which the court withheld adjudication. *See State of Florida v. Nordt*, Case No. 20010987CF10A (Fla. 17th Cir. Ct. Feb. 8, 2022).

Rule 7(a)(1) 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 “[w]here a criminal proceeding results in an adjudication being withheld, the Court shall issue an Order to Show Cause for the attorney to respond within thirty (30) days before the issuance of any discipline.” *Id.* (alteration added). Pursuant to Rule 7(a)(1), the Clerk attempted to serve Mr. Nordt by certified mail with an Order to Show Cause why the Court should not impose the same discipline, accompanied by the Supreme Court of Florida’s Order of Suspension. (*See*

[ECF No. 3]). The return receipt for service at Mr. Nordt's court record and Florida Bar address was signed for by Melanie Jimenez without notation as to "agent."

Rule 7(a) states that "[u]pon the filing with this Court of a certified copy of a judgment of conviction demonstrating that any attorney admitted to practice before the Court has been convicted in any court of the United States . . . of any serious crime . . . the Court shall enter an order immediately suspending that attorney." *Id.* (alterations added). A "serious crime" is defined by Rule 7(b) to "include any felony." *Id.* Even if service is contested, Local Rule 11.1(g) imposes upon the members of the Bar an obligation to provide updated contact information to the Clerk 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, pursuant to 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. Nordt is suspended from practice in this Court, effective immediately. Mr. Nordt 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. Nordt at his court record and Florida Bar address.

Mr. Nordt 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 25th day of July, 2022.



CECILIA M. ALTONAGA
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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