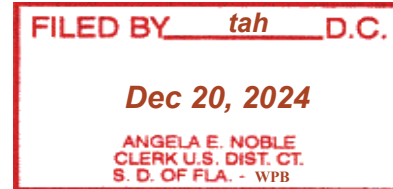


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2024-104
CASE NO. 24-MC-25012



IN RE: AMARIS DELAPENA
FLORIDA BAR # 1017765

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

On December 19, 2024, the Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension, suspending Amaris Delapena from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Delapena*, No. SC2024-1812, 2024 WL 5165680 (Fla. Dec. 19, 2024) [ECF No. 1]. The suspension was predicated on a Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt [ECF No. 2], which discloses that Ms. Delapena was found guilty of 15 felony counts of wire fraud and 22 felony counts of bank fraud by the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, in *United States v. Delapena*, Case No. 6:23-cr-190-PGB-RMN. (*See id.* 1-2).

Under Rule 7(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, “[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). Under Rule 7(b), a serious crime “include[s] any felony.” *Id.* (alteration added). Consequently, under Rules 7(a) and (b), and the Court’s inherent authority to oversee officers admitted to membership in its bar, *see Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 43 (1991) (noting “a federal court has the power to control admission to its bar


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and to discipline attorneys who appear before it” (citation omitted)), it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. Ms. Delapena is suspended from practice in this Court, effective immediately. Ms. Delapena may not resume the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by order of the Court. *See* S.D. Fla. Att’y R. 12(a).
2. Ms. Delapena shall advise the Clerk of Court of all pending cases before this Court in which she is counsel or co-counsel of record.
3. The Clerk of Court shall **STRIKE** Ms. Delapena 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.
4. The Clerk of Court shall attempt to serve by certified mail a copy of this Order of Suspension on Ms. Delapena at her court record and Florida Bar addresses.

DONE AND ORDERED at Miami, Florida, this 20th day of December, 2024.



CECILIA M. ALTONAGA
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

cc: All South Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judges
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