UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2024-96 CASE NO. 24-MC-24608

IN RE: PATRICIA ANNE HORAL A/K/A PATRICIA ANNE BRONSON FLORIDA BAR # 44197 PILED BY tah D.C.

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## **ORDER OF SUSPENSION**

On November 21, 2024, the Supreme Court of Florida entered an Order of Suspension, suspending Patricia Anne Horal a/k/a Patricia Anne Bronson from the practice of law. *See The Florida Bar v. Bronson*, No. SC2024-1649, 2024 WL 4851579 (Fla. Nov. 21, 2024) [ECF No. 1]. The suspension was predicated on a Notice of Determination or Judgment of Guilt, which, while confidential, disclosed that Ms. Horal Bronson was charged with and found guilty of a felony. (*See id.* 1).

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). Rule 7(b) defines "serious crime" to "include any felony." *Id.* 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 and to discipline attorneys who appear before it" (citation omitted)), it is

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## **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

- 1. Ms. Horal Bronson is suspended from practice in this Court, effective immediately. Ms. Horal Bronson 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. Horal Bronson 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. Horal Bronson 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. Horal Bronson at her court record and Florida Bar addresses.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at Miami, Florida, this 2nd day of December, 2024.

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

All South Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judges cc:

All Southern District of Florida District Judges, Bankruptcy Judges, and Magistrate Judges

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Circuit Executive

Federal Public Defender

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