UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 25-MC-24617-ALTONAGA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2025-105

IN RE: MICHAEL ALEXANDER HURCKES FLORIDA BAR # 1040918

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

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On October 6, 2025, the Supreme Court of Florida suspended Michael Alexander Hurckes from the practice of law. *See Fla. Bar v. Hurckes*, No. SC2025-1375, 2025 WL 2829387, at *1 (Fla. Oct. 6, 2025). Subsequently, on October 7, 2025, the Clerk of this Court attempted to serve Mr. Hurckes with an Order to Show Cause [ECF No. 2] — providing him 30 days to explain why reciprocal discipline should not be imposed — and a copy of the Florida Supreme Court's Suspension Order. The Clerk sent the materials to Mr. Hurckes's last known addresses. (*See generally* Returns of Serv. [ECF No. 3]). On November 18, 2025, second attempts at service were made at both addresses. (*See id.*). The Clerk received a return receipt with an illegible signature, without any indication that the signer was Mr. Hurckes or his authorized agent. (*See id.* 10).

Under Rule 8(a) of the Southern District of Florida Local Rules Governing the Admission, Practice, Peer Review, and Discipline of Attorneys ("Attorney Rules"), attorneys admitted to practice before this Court must promptly notify the Clerk if they are disciplined by another court. *See id.* Attorney Rule 8(d) authorizes the Court, once the time to respond to an order to show cause has lapsed, to impose reciprocal discipline or any other sanction it deems appropriate. *See id.*

Rule 11.1(g) of the Local Rules for the Southern District of Florida ("Local Rules") further obligates members of this Bar to update their contact information within seven days of any change, warning that "failure to comply shall not constitute grounds for relief from deadlines imposed by Rule or by the Court." *Id.* This obligation is echoed in Section 3D of the Court's CM/ECF

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Administrative Procedures Manual, compliance with which is mandatory under Local Rule 5.1.

Considering the above, and under Attorney Rules 8(a) and (d); Local Rule 11.1(g), and the Court's inherent authority to oversee membership in its bar and safeguard the public interest, *see Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 43 (1991) (citation omitted), it is

ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Mr. Hurckes is suspended from the practice of law in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, effective immediately. He may not resume practice before this Court unless and until reinstated by court order. *See* Att'y Rule 12(a).
- 2. Within **fourteen (14) days** of receipt of this Order, Mr. Hurckes shall notify the Clerk of Court of any active cases in which he appears as counsel or co-counsel of record in this District.
- 3. The Clerk is directed to **STRIKE** Mr. Hurckes from the roll of attorneys authorized to practice before this Court and to immediately revoke his CM/ECF credentials.
- 4. The Clerk shall promptly attempt service of this Order via certified mail to Mr. Hurckes's court record address and any addresses on file with The Florida Bar.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida, this 22nd day of December, 2025.

CECILIA M. ALTONAGA

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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cc: All South Florida Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judges

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

United States Attorney

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