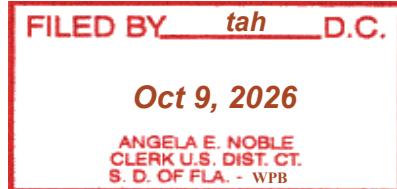


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 26-MC-24957-ALTONAGA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2026-85

IN RE: JESSE DAVID BERKOWITZ
FLORIDA BAR # 546151



ORDER OF SUSPENSION

On July 21, 2026, the Supreme Court of Florida suspended Jesse David Berkowitz from the practice of law. *See generally Fla. Bar v. Berkowitz*, No. SC2026-1061, 2026 WL 2100346 (Fla. July 21, 2026). On July 24, 2026, the Clerk of Court entered an Order to Show Cause [ECF No. 2], providing Mr. Berkowitz 30 days to explain why reciprocal discipline should not be imposed. (*See generally id.*). The Clerk sent the materials to Mr. Berkowitz's last known addresses. (*See generally* Return of Service [ECF No. 3]). To date, Mr. Berkowitz has not filed a response.

Under Attorney Rule 8(a) of the Southern District of Florida 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* S.D. Fla. Att'y R. 8(a). Once the time to respond to an order to show cause has lapsed, Attorney Rule 8(d) authorizes the Court to impose reciprocal discipline or any other sanction it deems appropriate.¹ *See* S.D. Fla. Att'y R. 8(d).

¹ Local Rule 11.1(g) of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida 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." S.D. Fla. L.R. 11.1(g). Section 3D of the CM/ECF Administrative Procedures reiterates this obligation. *See* CM/ECF Admin. P. § 3D (requiring users to "maintain current contact information"); *see also* S.D. Fla. L.R. 5.1(b) (providing compliance with CM/ECF Administrative Procedures is mandatory).

Further, the Court has the inherent authority to oversee membership in its bar and safeguard the public interest. *See Chambers v. NASCO, Inc.*, 501 U.S. 32, 43 (1991) (recognizing that “a federal court has the power to control admission to its bar and to discipline attorneys who appear before it” (citation omitted)).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. Effective immediately, Mr. Berkowitz is suspended from the practice of law in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. He may not resume practice before this Court unless and until reinstated by court order. *See* S.D. Fla. Att’y R. 12(a).
2. Within **fourteen (14) days** of receipt of this Order, Mr. Berkowitz 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 shall **STRIKE** Mr. Berkowitz from the roll of attorneys authorized to practice before this Court and to immediately revoke his CM/ECF credentials.
4. The Clerk shall promptly **SERVE** this Order via certified mail to Mr. Berkowitz’s court record address and any addresses on file with The Florida Bar.

DONE AND ORDERED in Miami, Florida, this 9th day of October, 2026.



CECILIA M. ALTONAGA
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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