

NOTICE TO THE BAR

Re: Defaults Scheduled for Review by the Disciplinary Review Board

The following matters have been certified to the Disciplinary Review Board as defaults, in accordance with R. 1:20-4(f):

In the Matter of Annette Maria Oakley

Docket No. DRB 17-268

District Docket No. XIV-2016-0071E

In the Matter of Peter Jonathan Cresci

Docket No. DRB 17-270

District Docket Nos. XIV-2017-0373E, XIV-2017-0374E, XIV-2017-0375E, and XIV-2017-0376E

In the Matter of Diane Marie Acciavatti

Docket No. DRB 17-271

District Docket No. XI-2016-0002E

In the Matter of Hercules Pappas

Docket No. DRB 17-282

District Docket No. IV-2016-0037E

In the Matter of Deborah Steincolor

Docket No. DRB 17-285

District Docket No. XIV-2016-0371E

In the Matter of James Peter Byrne

Docket No. DRB 17-286

District Docket No. VI-2016-0008E

In the Matter of Nicole Leigh Perskie

Docket No. DRB 17-287

District Docket Nos. XIV-2016-0340E, XIV-2016-0641E, XIV-2016-0716E, XIV-2016-0717E, XIV-2016-0751E, XIV-2016-0752E, XIV-2016-0753E, XIV-2016-0754E, XIV-2016-0755E

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These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on **Thursday, October 19, 2017**. R. 1:20-4(f) provides that an attorney-respondent's failure to timely file an answer "shall be deemed an admission that the allegations of the complaint are true and . . . provide sufficient basis for the imposition of discipline." Although chances for a successful motion are limited, a motion to vacate the default may be filed with the Board **by no later than September 22, 2017. MOTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD.** The motion should specify why the attorney-respondent failed to file a timely answer (including lack of notice) and should set forth any claimed meritorious defenses to the ethics charge. The motion must also be simultaneously served on the Director of the Office of Attorney Ethics and, where appropriate, the district ethics committee responsible for the underlying ethics matter. A certification regarding that service must accompany any documents filed with the Board.

Respondents are hereby advised that, generally, in a default matter, the discipline is enhanced to reflect a respondent's failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities as an aggravating factor. In re Kivler, 193 N.J. 332, 338 (2008).

Respondents may communicate with the Board by contacting the Office of Board Counsel at:

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Dated: September 6, 2017

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