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# DEFAULTS SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW BY THE DISCIPLINARY REVIEW BOARD WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025

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

## In the Matter of Santo V. Artusa, Jr.

Docket No. DRB 25-095

District Docket Nos. XIV-2023-0485E; XIV-2023-0486E; XIV-2023-0487E; XIV-2024-0073E; XIV-2024-0171E; XIV-2024-0446E

### In the Matter of Paul S. Foreman

Docket No. DRB 25-106 District Docket No. XIV-2024-0159E

## In the Matter of Kristie Monique Howard

Docket No. DRB 25-110

District Docket No. VC-2023-0009E

These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on Wednesday, July 16, 2025. 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 June 16, 2025. 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 charges. The motion also must be

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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.

Respondent is 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).

Respondent may communicate with the Board by contacting the Office of

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Dated: June 2, 2025

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Disciplinary Review Board