The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 12, 2008

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MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

2007-1529. Fletcher v. Univ. Hosps. of Cleveland.

Cuyahoga App. No. 88573, 172 Ohio App.3d 153, 2007-Ohio-2778. This cause is pending before the court as an appeal from the Court of Appeals for Cuyahoga County. Upon consideration of the motion for leave of amicus curiae, Ohio Association of Civil Trial Attorneys, to participate in oral argument scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, 2008, in support of appellant,

It is ordered by the court that the motion is granted and amicus curiae shall share the time allotted to appellant.

2008-1667. Bikkani v. Lee.

Cuyahoga App. No. 89312, 2008-Ohio-3130. On March 5, 2007, this court found Prasad Bikkani to be a vexatious litigator under S.Ct.Prac.R. XIV(5)(B). This court further ordered that Bikkani was prohibited from continuing or instituting legal proceedings in this court without first obtaining leave. On September 8, 2008, Bikkani submitted a motion for leave to file a motion for reconsideration. Upon consideration thereof,

It is ordered by the court that the motion is denied.

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

The Supreme Court has issued an order suspending an attorney for noncompliance with Gov.Bar R. VI. This rule requires attorneys to file a Certificate of Registration and pay applicable fees within thirty days of admission to the practice law. Attorneys who fail to file the Certificate of Registration on or before the due date but who pay within ninety days of the deadline are assessed a late fee. Attorneys who fail to file a Certificate of Registration timely or within the late registration period are suspended from the practice of law. The text of the entry imposing the suspension is reproduced below. This is followed by the name and registration number of the attorney who was suspended.

Because an attorney suspended pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VI can be reinstated upon application, an attorney whose name appears below may have been reinstated prior to publication of this notice. Please contact the Office of Attorney Services at 614-387-9320 to determine the current status of an attorney whose name appears below.

In re Registration Suspension	:	ORDER OF
[Attorney Name]	:	SUSPENSION
	:	
	:	[Registration Number]

Gov.Bar R. VI(1)(B) requires all attorneys admitted to the practice of law in Ohio to file a Certificate of Registration within thirty days of the date of admission. Section 5(A) establishes that an attorney who fails to file the Certificate of Registration on or before the due date but pays within ninety days of the deadline shall be assessed a late fee. Section 5(B) provides that an attorney who fails to file a Certificate of Registration and pay the fees either timely or within the late registration period shall be notified of noncompliance and that if the attorney fails to file evidence of compliance with Gov. Bar R. VI or to come into compliance with this rule within the late registration period, the attorney will be suspended from the practice of law.

Respondent has not registered for the 2007/2009 attorney registration biennium within thirty days of the date of admission and has not filed evidence of compliance with Gov.Bar R. VI or come into compliance with this rule within the late registration period.

Upon consideration thereof and in accordance with Gov.Bar R. VI(5)(B), respondent is hereby suspended from the practice of law in Ohio, effective September 10, 2008.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent immediately cease and desist from the practice of law in any form and is hereby forbidden to appear on behalf of another before any court, judge, commission, board, administrative agency, or other public authority.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that effective immediately, respondent be forbidden to counsel or advise or prepare legal instruments for others or in any manner perform legal services for others. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall not practice law in Ohio, hold himself or herself out as authorized to practice law in Ohio, hold nonfederal judicial office in Ohio, occupy a nonfederal position in this state in which the attorney is called upon to give legal advice or counsel or to examine the law or pass upon the legal effect of any act, document, or law, be employed in the Ohio judicial system in a position required to be held by an attorney, or practice before any nonfederal court or agency in this state on behalf of any person except himself or herself.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if respondent fails to comply with this order, respondent may be referred for investigation of the unauthorized practice of law under Gov.Bar R. VII(3).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent is hereby divested of each, any, and all rights, privileges, and prerogatives customarily accorded to a member in good standing of the legal profession in Ohio.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notwithstanding respondent's suspension under Gov.Bar R. VI, respondent shall comply with Gov.Bar R. X ("Attorney Continuing Legal Education").

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall not be reinstated to the practice of law in Ohio until (1) respondent files a Certificate of Registration for the 2007/2009 attorney registration biennium and all other biennia for which respondent has not registered, (2) respondent pays all applicable registration fees, (3) respondent pays a \$300 reinstatement fee, (4) respondent files an Application for Reinstatement on a form provided by the Office of Attorney Services, (5) and the Office of Attorney Services reinstates respondent to the practice of law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall keep the Office of Attorney Services advised of any change of address where respondent may receive communications.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that service shall be deemed made on respondent by sending this order, and all other orders in this matter, by certified mail to the most recent address respondent has provided to the Office of Attorney Services.

Attorney Number	Attorney Name	City, State
Sept. 10, 2008		
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