

The Supreme Court of Ohio

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

October 13, 2021

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CONTINUING-LEGAL-EDUCATION MATTERS

Gov.Bar R. X(3) and Gov.Jud.R. IV require all attorneys and judges admitted to the practice of law in Ohio and each attorney registered for corporate status pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VI to complete at least 24 hours of continuing legal education (“CLE”), including two and a half hours related to professional conduct, for each two-year compliance period. Gov.Bar R. X(4) requires attorneys and judges whose last names begin with a letter from M through Z to complete the CLE requirements of Gov.Bar R. X on or before December 31 of each even-numbered year.

Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A) provides that an attorney or judge who fails to comply timely with the applicable requirements of Gov.Bar R. X or Gov.Jud.R. IV but does so within 90 days of the December 31 deadline shall be assessed a late fee in accordance with CLE Reg. 503. By administrative order dated May 21, 2020, the Supreme Court waived the self-study caps for the 2019/2020 CLE compliance period and late-compliance period of January 1, 2019, through March 31, 2021, allowing attorneys to come into compliance through the use of approved self-study programs.

Gov.Bar R. X(18)(B) provides that an attorney or judge who fails to comply with the applicable requirements of Gov.Bar R. X or Gov.Jud.R. IV shall be notified of noncompliance by the commission and that unless the attorney or judge comes into compliance or files evidence of compliance that is satisfactory to the commission on or before the date set forth in the notice, the commission shall issue an order imposing a sanction authorized by Gov.Bar R. X(17) and consistent with CLE Reg. 503. On October 12, 2021, the Commission on Continuing Legal Education sanctioned 146 attorneys for noncompliance with the provisions of Gov.Bar R. X.

The following attorneys were issued a monetary sanction for not completing the educational hours required by Gov.Bar R. X(3) and not filing evidence of compliance or coming into compliance as required by Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A). The sanction amount displayed in the last column is based on the number and the type of hour deficiency.

Name	Attorney Number	County	State	Amount
Jerry Owen Pitts	0038115	Allen	OH	\$150.00
Charles Anthony McKinney	0039214	Butler	OH	\$150.00
Chad Ryan Smith	0090720	Butler	OH	\$150.00
James Michael Stover	0040009	Butler	OH	\$150.00
Douglas Lawrence Westendorf	0029899	Clermont	OH	\$150.00
Brett William Rudduck	0086737	Clinton	OH	\$300.00
Denise Mackura	0032978	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Larry Ivan Madorsky	0025529	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Erin Elizabeth Marks	0078363	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00
Angela Lynn Maynard	0062644	Cuyahoga	OH	\$225.00
Ryan Boyd McCrum	0071519	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Robert Walker McIntyre	0006768	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Brian David Mielcusny	0093747	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Lisa Marie Mikol	0077614	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00
Matthew Joseph Morelli	0063738	Cuyahoga	OH	\$225.00
Steven Michael Moss	0055997	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
David Brian Nejedlik	0037205	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Aaron Alexander O'Brien	0085984	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Jacqueline Ann O'Brien	0083137	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Rachel Lucile Rawson	0064535	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Jessica Emily Rubin	0091052	Cuyahoga	OH	\$225.00
Robert Julius Sawyer	0022440	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Michael Hart Shaut	0014900	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
John Joseph Sheehan Jr.	0030858	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00
Benjamin Bradford Sheerer	0005407	Cuyahoga	OH	\$225.00
Brent Allan Shelley	0084787	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Nolan James Stevens	0085561	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Marlene Schumann Struger	0021455	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00
Virginia Giny Sucu	0084260	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Gabriel Steven Szabo Jr.	0008626	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Gregory Michael Troyan	0055831	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00

Kerry Steven Volsky	0032026	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Timothy Patrick Whitford	0059954	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Dean Clinton Williams	0079785	Cuyahoga	OH	\$300.00
Donna Lynne Williams-Alexander	0037838	Cuyahoga	OH	\$150.00
Alyssa Marie Smith	0087880	Delaware	OH	\$225.00
Milton Charles Sutton	0083130	Delaware	OH	\$75.00
Deborah Lynn Wood	0040291	Erie	OH	\$150.00
Dean Joseph Masello	0076357	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Megan Caley McClung	0096833	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Michael McCord	0020304	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Daniel Thomas Mertz	0060137	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Lindsey Harlow Milam	0083586	Franklin	OH	\$225.00
Lance Miles Miller	0095190	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Gregory Mark O'Molesky	0087329	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Nickolas Donald Owen	0085269	Franklin	OH	\$225.00
Asif Ranganwala	0091854	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Kandra Dawn Roberts	0092091	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Eric L. Robinson	0083451	Franklin	OH	\$225.00
Barth E. Royer	0016999	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Gordon Pearce Shuler	0019315	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Jeremiah Elias Thomas	0086971	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Thomas Charles Tootle	0062385	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Vincene Verdun	0043783	Franklin	OH	\$225.00
Shontell Deon Walker	0080530	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
James Michael Wiles	0007441	Franklin	OH	\$300.00
Linda Ann Wilkins	0066558	Franklin	OH	\$225.00
Bernard Zelig Yavitch	0001054	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Lisa Ann Pavlik	0074567	Geauga	OH	\$75.00
Vicki Camille Singleton	0038948	Greene	OH	\$75.00
Allison McWhorter McGrath	0079263	Hamilton	OH	\$75.00
Jessica Leigh Powell	0073928	Hamilton	OH	\$225.00
Eric Vincent Robinson	0095227	Hamilton	OH	\$75.00
Vance Victor VanDrake III	0079230	Hamilton	OH	\$150.00
Jeffrey Stanton Vollman	0069137	Hamilton	OH	\$300.00
Michelle Mary Wenker	0062307	Hamilton	OH	\$300.00
Mary Lou Wolf	0074613	Hamilton	OH	\$300.00
Kimberly Dawn Wright	0070787	Hamilton	OH	\$300.00
Bradford Scott Tesner	0080258	Hancock	OH	\$225.00
Cindy Sue Wolph	0083489	Hancock	OH	\$300.00

John Daniel Mismas	0077434	Lake	OH	\$300.00
Gregory Charles Sasse	0032539	Lake	OH	\$150.00
Jason Robert Strobel	0084059	Lake	OH	\$75.00
Edmund John Turk	0011299	Lake	OH	\$300.00
James Howard Young	0038535	Lorain	OH	\$300.00
Gregg Alan Peppel	0071477	Lucas	OH	\$75.00
Mervin Stanley Sharfman	0007332	Lucas	OH	\$300.00
Mark Duane Wagoner	0012239	Lucas	OH	\$225.00
John William Yerman Jr.	0032242	Lucas	OH	\$300.00
Mark Gayland Mangie	0023981	Mahoning	OH	\$225.00
Frances Martin	0070590	Mahoning	OH	\$225.00
Kevin Wayne Rumes	0067764	Medina	OH	\$300.00
Frank Michael Payson	0055165	Montgomery	OH	\$300.00
Richard Anthony Schwartz	0018682	Montgomery	OH	\$300.00
Maureen Catherine Young	0095455	Montgomery	OH	\$150.00
Jeremy Malcolm McLendon	0075062	Muskingum	OH	\$150.00
Keith Michael Melvin	0096280	Muskingum	OH	\$75.00
Panayotis Fernahue Pappas	0012845	Muskingum	OH	\$75.00
Howard Theodore Welser Jr.	0002212	Portage	OH	\$300.00
Timothy Joseph Putman	0016298	Stark	OH	\$150.00
Keith Edward Young	0087247	Stark	OH	\$75.00
Jeffrey James Manning	0073394	Summit	OH	\$225.00
Patrick Joseph Neman	0032555	Summit	OH	\$300.00
William Vere Shaklee	0075507	Summit	OH	\$225.00
Lynn Charles Slaby	0028866	Summit	OH	\$225.00
Patrick Michael Summers	0040220	Summit	OH	\$150.00
Gerald Robert Walton	0003914	Summit	OH	\$225.00
Robert Curtis Young	0005962	Van Wert	OH	\$300.00
Emily Schoenfeld Crotty	0076429	Warren	OH	\$300.00
Amanda Louise Narog	0093954	Warren	OH	\$150.00
Robert H. Siegel	0010507	Warren	OH	\$300.00
Michael Patrick Patterson	0044068	Wood	OH	\$75.00
Joseph Henry Pilkington	0026003	Wood	OH	\$225.00
Fan Zhang	0070677	Wood	OH	\$225.00
Jai Swarup Pathak	0034164		CA	\$225.00
Richard Slavin	0027903		CT	\$75.00
St. Lutheran Michael Tillman	0088306		DC	\$225.00
Donald Lee Uttrich	0042057		DC	\$300.00
Kyle Rashid Williams	0086244		DC	\$300.00

Cassandra Mendoza Alami	0089704	FL	\$225.00
David S. Shankman	0042502	FL	\$300.00
John Stephen Pucin	0059752	IL	\$75.00
Linda S. Novakov	0074911	KY	\$150.00
Timothy Richard Payne	0069329	MD	\$75.00
Leah Maguire	0087500	MI	\$300.00
Michael William Striff	0076038	MI	\$300.00
Mark Howard Zietlow	0023257	MI	\$150.00
Peter Daniel Siddoway	0079132	NC	\$225.00
Dennis Lee Morgan	0063987	NH	\$225.00
Michael Cohen Sachs	0043433	NJ	\$225.00
Aanand Atul Mehta	0089826	NY	\$75.00
Mark Edward Moulton	0067916	PA	\$300.00
David Winston Ross	0087198	PA	\$225.00
Alexandra Price Doggett	0089833	TX	\$300.00
Peter Frank Van Ligten	0066916	TX	\$300.00
John Howard Walker	0029671	TX	\$300.00
Matthew David Miko	0068483	UT	\$225.00
Rachel Vanessa See	0073039	VA	\$75.00
Aurelia Tunru	0090767	WA	\$150.00
Kenneth Alexander Miller II	0090311	WV	\$150.00
Matthew Harlin Nelson	0079078	WV	\$75.00
Ira Andre Richardson III	0092691	WV	\$300.00
Jeffrey J. Rokisky	0070354	WV	\$75.00
Christopher James Sears	0083434	WV	\$150.00
John Cheyney Stump	0086171	WV	\$150.00

On October 12, 2021, the commission issued orders imposing monetary sanctions and suspending 9 attorneys for noncompliance with the provisions of Gov.Bar R. X.

The following attorneys were sanctioned and suspended for not completing the educational hours required by Gov.Bar R. X(3) and not filing evidence of compliance or coming into compliance as required by Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A). The attorneys were also out of compliance with Gov.Bar R. X for the 2015/2016 and/or 2017/2018 compliance periods. The sanction amount as displayed in the last column is based on the number and the type of hour deficiency.

Name	Attorney Number	County	State	Amount
Robert Joseph Rotatori	0003346	Cuyahoga	OH	\$75.00
Mathew Joseph Voltolini	0040695	Franklin	OH	\$75.00
Marc Ian Strauss	0036808	Lake	OH	\$300.00
Laura Lynne Hornish	0072490	Miami	OH	\$75.00
Charlie William Priest Jr.	0069311		GA	\$300.00

The following attorneys were sanctioned and suspended for not completing the requisite educational hours required by Gov.Bar R. X(3) and not filing evidence of compliance or coming into compliance as required by Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A). The attorneys also have not paid the prior commission-ordered sanctions issued for noncompliance in the 2017/2018 compliance period. The sanction amount as displayed in the last column is based on the number and type of hour deficiency.

Name	Attorney Number	County	State	Amount
Ursula Mary McDonnell	0064448	Hamilton	OH	\$300.00
Joseph Charles Randazzo	0070550	Summit	OH	\$300.00
Brian Alexander Reali	0069661	Summit	OH	\$300.00
John Brent Threlkeld	0055735		KY	\$150.00

Gov.Bar R. X(9)(A) and (14)(A) require newly admitted attorneys admitted to the practice of law in Ohio and attorneys newly registered for corporate status pursuant to Gov.Bar R. VI to complete during their first biennial compliance period at least 12 hours of new-lawyers'-training instruction, including one hour each of professionalism, law-office management, and client-fund management, and nine hours of instruction in one or more substantive-law topics that focus on handling legal matters in specific practice areas. Gov.Bar R. X(4) requires attorneys whose last name begins with a letter from M through Z to comply with the requirements of Gov.Bar R. X on or before December 31 of even-numbered years. Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A) provides that an attorney or judge who fails to comply timely with the applicable requirements of Gov.Bar R. X or Gov.Jud. R. IV but does so within 90 days of the December 31 deadline shall be assessed a late-compliance fee, as established by the commission. Gov.Bar R. X(18)(B) provides that an attorney or judge who fails to comply with the applicable requirements of Gov.Bar R. X or Gov.Jud.R. IV shall be notified of noncompliance by the commission and that unless the attorney or judge comes into compliance or files evidence of compliance that is satisfactory to the commission on or before the date set forth in the notice, the

commission shall issue an order imposing a sanction authorized by Gov.Bar R. X(17) and consistent with Commission Reg. 503.

The following attorneys were suspended from the practice of law for not completing the new-lawyers'-training requirement as required by Gov.Bar R. X(9)(A) and (14)(A) and not filing evidence of compliance or coming into compliance as required by Gov.Bar R. X(18)(A).

Name	Attorney Number	County	State
Andrew Patrick Vernon	0097544	Belmont	OH
Lucas B. McKaig	0097876	Hamilton	OH