

The Supreme Court of Ohio

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

November 1, 2022

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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 the designated minimum hours of continuing legal education (“CLE”) for each two-year compliance period. Gov.Bar R. X(4) requires attorneys and judges whose last names begin with a letter from A through L to complete the CLE requirements of Gov.Bar R. X on or before December 31 of each odd-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 October 16, 2020, this court waived the self-study caps for the 2020/2021 CLE compliance period and late-compliance period of January 1, 2022, through March 31, 2022, 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 31, 2022, the Commission on Continuing Legal Education sanctioned 191 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 hour deficiency.

| Name | Attorney Number | County | State | Amount |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Anthony James Baker | 0079023 | Adams | OH | \$300 |
| Miner Oren Dickason | 0002525 | Allen | OH | \$150 |
| John Stewart Custer | 0045103 | Athens | OH | \$150 |
| Richard Vincent Coup | 0089841 | Belmont | OH | \$150 |
| Bridget Emiko Jackson | 0097231 | Butler | OH | \$150 |
| Robert Thomas Baker | 0078751 | Clermont | OH | \$150 |
| Michael Stefan Buschbacher | 0000458 | Clermont | OH | \$225 |
| Christopher Henry Hurlburt | 0072599 | Clermont | OH | \$225 |
| Rush Eugene Elliott | 0007926 | Columbiana | OH | \$150 |
| Carolyn Watts Allen | 0033990 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Russell Zachary Baron | 0025663 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Karl Stephen Beus | 0059931 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Brandon Earl Brown | 0097013 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Robert Allan Brdar | 0032562 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Nancy Halliday Canary | 0005710 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Michael J. Caticchio | 0021746 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Gregory Richard Chemnitz | 0012085 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Tera Nichole Coleman | 0090544 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Thomas David Corrigan | 0022810 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Charles Daroff II | 0040558 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Sandra Linette English | 0080244 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Nathan Alan Felker | 0075766 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Michael Patrick Foley | 0064629 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |

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|--------------------------|---------|----------|----|-------|
| Patrick Terrence Gaffney | 0051854 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Allan Goldner | 0014284 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Ivan Lemuel Henderson | 0069033 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Teresa James | 0031671 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Brian James Jereb | 0020421 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Jessica Anne Kaiser | 0085843 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Ira Charles Kaplan | 0014278 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Samir Salah Khoury | 0084328 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Douglas Allen King Sr. | 0030073 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Jules Norman Koach | 0021702 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Joseph S. Koval | 0078130 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Beth Dworken Krasnow | 0069214 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Angela Dawn Krupar | 0088273 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Paul Anthony Kuzmins | 0074475 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Patricia Mary Lawley | 0030331 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Ellesha May LeCluyse | 0094022 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| Patrick Peter Leneghan | 0041931 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$225 |
| Sandra Jean Lisowski | 0037768 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$150 |
| Amanda Edwards Pinney | 0073977 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Meegan Ann Spicer | 0061824 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$75 |
| John Paul Goldenetz | 0020337 | Defiance | OH | \$225 |
| Robert Lister Caplan | 0062794 | Delaware | OH | \$150 |
| Henry Louis Fein | 0036915 | Delaware | OH | \$75 |
| Cory David Hoffman | 0088771 | Delaware | OH | \$300 |
| Sarah Schepker Lee | 0078721 | Delaware | OH | \$75 |

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| Harry-Todd Astrov | 0047468 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Blaise Gerard Baker | 0031580 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Julianna Ravelle Clark | 0092252 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Tony Allen Clymer | 0051973 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Paul Hayes Coleman | 0027587 | Franklin | OH | \$225 |
| David Albert Connor | 0009345 | Franklin | OH | \$150 |
| Wesley Robert Davis | 0076727 | Franklin | OH | \$75 |
| Jeremy Daniel Davitz | 0085052 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Syreeta Shauntee DeFrance-Poindexter | 0093063 | Franklin | OH | \$225 |
| Adam Peter Demko | 0080083 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| David Robert Gillespie | 0079424 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Joanne Ilene Goldhand | 0066190 | Franklin | OH | \$75 |
| Regina Ashley Griffith | 0090842 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Carolyn E. Gutowski | 0085748 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Erin Jahnell Hatton | 0096562 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Michael Willis Karam | 0088168 | Franklin | OH | \$150 |
| Andrew Myron Kauffman | 0017183 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Lauren Elizabeth Krasnodembski | 0087327 | Franklin | OH | \$75 |
| Aaron David Trant Laflin | 0092239 | Franklin | OH | \$225 |
| Michael David Latas | 0030143 | Franklin | OH | \$150 |
| Robert Raymond Lech | 0073078 | Franklin | OH | \$150 |
| George Harold Lowrey | 0096543 | Franklin | OH | \$300 |
| Mario Joseph Fazio | 0042284 | Geauga | OH | \$300 |
| Charles Vincent Longo | 0029490 | Geauga | OH | \$150 |
| Sean Patrick Costello | 0068612 | Greene | OH | \$300 |
| Lance Alan Gildner | 0056237 | Greene | OH | \$300 |

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|----------------------------|---------|----------|----|-------|
| Stephen Paul Eyen | 0025004 | Guernsey | OH | \$300 |
| Tracy Baffour Agyemang | 0096235 | Hamilton | OH | \$300 |
| David Charles Ahlstrom | 0085784 | Hamilton | OH | \$300 |
| Eric Philip Allen | 0041477 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Joseph Patrick Ashbrook | 0091279 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Alvertis Walter Bishop Jr. | 0025391 | Hamilton | OH | \$150 |
| Daniel Francis Burke Jr. | 0013836 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Heather Michelle Burr | 0073487 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Thomas William Condit | 0041299 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Marjorie Fink Davis | 0081531 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Carol Smith Friel | 0008769 | Hamilton | OH | \$300 |
| Deborah Kay Gaines | 0022454 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Kathryn Suzanne Harris | 0085746 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Larry Jessie Holley Jr. | 0082016 | Hamilton | OH | \$150 |
| Andrew Gerald Ice | 0065831 | Hamilton | OH | \$150 |
| William Bryan King II | 0094046 | Hamilton | OH | \$75 |
| Richard Dean Lawrence | 0001584 | Hamilton | OH | \$225 |
| Bernard Karl Bauer | 0016290 | Hancock | OH | \$225 |
| Louis George Henderson | 0022532 | Lake | OH | \$300 |
| Todd Michael Jackett | 0076650 | Lake | OH | \$225 |
| Kelsey Rose Lutz | 0095801 | Lake | OH | \$225 |
| John Mathew Haas | 0023255 | Lorain | OH | \$300 |
| Kristi Lynette Haude | 0075611 | Lorain | OH | \$150 |
| Michael Jay Berebitsky | 0014252 | Lucas | OH | \$300 |
| Marcus James Brubaker | 0023666 | Lucas | OH | \$300 |

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|----------------------------|---------|------------|----|-------|
| RaShya Monique Cunningham | 0093140 | Lucas | OH | \$225 |
| Gretchen Suzanne DeBacker | 0077486 | Lucas | OH | \$225 |
| Tracy Marie Schauff | 0067753 | Lucas | OH | \$150 |
| Philip Joshua Holroyd | 0088890 | Montgomery | OH | \$300 |
| Hilary Jay Lerman | 0029975 | Montgomery | OH | \$75 |
| William Drake Joseph | 0016406 | Muskingum | OH | \$75 |
| Shelly LaMar Kennedy | 0043523 | Ottawa | OH | \$300 |
| Benito C. Antognoli | 0030683 | Portage | OH | \$225 |
| Richard Joseph Badger | 0005119 | Portage | OH | \$75 |
| Jerrold Michael Kovolyan | 0097519 | Portage | OH | \$75 |
| Penelope Nicole Hatzakis | 0067754 | Stark | OH | \$150 |
| Martin Henry Belsky | 0088862 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Michael Byron Bowler | 0013026 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Kelly Anne Carmen | 0091569 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Amanda Jo Clapp | 0081353 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Paul James Deegan | 0085451 | Summit | OH | \$225 |
| Stephen Osborn Dyer | 0079776 | Summit | OH | \$225 |
| Michael David Esposito | 0077221 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Michael Gallucci Jr. | 0033397 | Summit | OH | \$225 |
| Michael Joseph Goebel | 0080489 | Summit | OH | \$150 |
| Jill Therese Grant | 0069114 | Summit | OH | \$300 |
| Linda M. Hastings | 0062808 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Daniel James Jones | 0095305 | Summit | OH | \$300 |
| David Walter Lehman | 0066175 | Summit | OH | \$300 |
| Timothy Patrick Fraelich | 0062468 | Trumbull | OH | \$300 |
| Francis Alvin Kovacs-Colon | 0031613 | Union | OH | \$75 |

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|-----------------------------|---------|------------|----|-------|
| Douglas Weiland Casper | 0010663 | Warren | OH | \$75 |
| Benjamin Thomas Hoppe | 0076398 | Warren | OH | \$75 |
| Susan Alexandra Montera | 0062524 | Washington | OH | \$300 |
| Gerald Michael Kobil | 0015592 | Wood | OH | \$75 |
| Kimberly E Savich | 0074760 | Wood | OH | \$150 |
| Parker Ebra Edmiston | 0053658 | | AL | \$75 |
| Alfred Ray English | 0060028 | | AZ | \$300 |
| Scott Lawrence Baker | 0029929 | | CA | \$225 |
| Uchechi Amadi Demaske | 0088028 | | CA | \$75 |
| Kyle Richard Fath | 0089808 | | CA | \$150 |
| Jessica Catherine Abrahams | 0046835 | | DC | \$225 |
| Adam Martin Clark | 0096118 | | DC | \$300 |
| Yazen Osama Alami | 0086371 | | FL | \$300 |
| Amable Njodzeka Foshe Bunry | 0095669 | | FL | \$150 |
| John Steven Farrington | 0032775 | | FL | \$225 |
| Shannon Patricia Geller | 0060106 | | FL | \$300 |
| Quashondra Le'Nae Battle | 0097105 | | GA | \$75 |
| Simone Marie Denny | 0071558 | | GA | \$300 |
| Melissa Nicole Hawkins | 0077032 | | GA | \$300 |
| Michael Alan Holcomb | 0098308 | | GA | \$300 |
| Neil Joseph Kinkopf | 0056251 | | GA | \$300 |
| Davi Leitao Kruger | 0088615 | | GA | \$225 |
| George Roger King | 0022025 | | ID | \$75 |
| Jeffrey Adam Byrne Jr. | 0098093 | | IL | \$300 |
| Ashley Caroline Barlow | 0080979 | | KY | \$300 |

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|------------------------------|---------|----|-------|
| Gregory Joseph Berberich | 0043651 | KY | \$300 |
| Thomas David Collins | 0068648 | KY | \$300 |
| Laurie Bilz Dowell | 0041208 | KY | \$150 |
| Alysse Aolani Hollis | 0080104 | KY | \$75 |
| Matthew Tyler Hull | 0079679 | KY | \$300 |
| Clifford Otto Arnebeck Jr. | 0033391 | MI | \$300 |
| Michael Leo Battersby | 0073558 | MI | \$225 |
| Scott Benjamin Hall | 0099273 | MO | \$150 |
| Christopher Michael Comiskey | 0090297 | NC | \$75 |
| Joseph E. Altomare | 0076088 | NM | \$300 |
| George Thomas Finch | 0081902 | OR | \$150 |
| Adam Grant Anderson | 0078750 | PA | \$150 |
| Cara Catherine Davis | 0090336 | PA | \$300 |
| Richard L. Etter | 0098632 | PA | \$300 |
| John Robert Hanlon Jr. | 0061030 | PA | \$225 |
| Matthew Scott Jordan | 0089030 | PA | \$75 |
| Leo A. Keevican Jr. | 0073170 | PA | \$150 |
| Jeffrey Revell Lalama | 0077550 | PA | \$75 |
| Joseph Ricardo Lefft | 0037259 | SC | \$300 |
| Scott Alan Lanzon | 0078853 | TN | \$150 |
| Ryan Lee Alford | 0091792 | TX | \$300 |
| Rodney Lee Drinnon | 0066935 | TX | \$75 |
| Wesley Stephen Hameline | 0089988 | TX | \$300 |
| William Myska Irvine | 0098130 | TX | \$75 |
| Christina Marie Liepold | 0070085 | TX | \$150 |

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|---------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|-------|
| Daniel Robert Elliott III | 0043701 | | VA | \$75 |
| Steven Michael Emmert | 0021768 | | VA | \$300 |
| Loren Walter Hershey | 0033841 | | VA | \$300 |
| Robert David Labes | 0040903 | | VA | \$225 |
| Michael W Barill | 0083397 | | WV | \$150 |
| Richard Johnston Bolen | 0069240 | | WV | \$300 |
| Bruce J. Horowitz | 0026948 | Quito | Ecuador | \$225 |
| Krishna C.V. Grandhi | 0087289 | Telangana | India | \$300 |
| Michael Jay Fuller, Jr. | 0090250 | San Juan | PR | \$75 |
| David Carmen Indiano | 0031642 | San Juan | PR | \$225 |

On October 31, 2022, the commission issued orders imposing monetary sanctions and suspending 6 attorneys for noncompliance with the provisions of Gov.Bar R. X.

The following attorney was 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 attorney was also out of compliance with Gov.Bar R. X for the 2016/2017 and 2018/2019 compliance periods. The sanction amount as displayed in the last column is based on the hour deficiency.

| Name | Attorney Number | County | State | Amount |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Wilbert Byrd | 0011315 | | TX | \$300 |

The following attorneys were sanctioned and suspended for not completing the requisite 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 2018/2019 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 |
|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Michael Robert Houston | 0070203 | Cuyahoga | OH | \$300 |
| Theodore Alexander Amata | 0065658 | Summit | OH | \$75 |
| Jeffrey Karl Lucas | 0074504 | Union | OH | \$300 |

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, during their first biennial compliance period, to complete 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 A through L to comply with the requirements of Gov.Bar R. X on or before the 31st day of December of odd-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 CLE 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 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Christina Nichole Harrison | 0098307 | Butler | OH |
| Maria Anna Catrina Castro Reece | 0098929 | Hamilton | OH |