

Supreme Court of Texas

Misc. Docket No. 22-9041

In The Matter of Christopher J. Pettit

The Court has reviewed the Motion for Acceptance of Resignation as Attorney and Counselor at Law in Lieu of Disciplinary Action of Christopher J. Pettit (the Motion) and the Response of the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel for the Commission for Lawyer Discipline (the Response). The Court concludes each meets the requirements of Part X of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. The Court finds that Christopher J. Pettit has waived the right to withdraw the Motion. Therefore, the Court deems the professional misconduct detailed in the Response conclusively established for all purposes. The Court further concludes that Christopher J. Pettit's resignation is in the best interest of the public and the profession.

Therefore, the law license of Christopher J. Pettit of San Antonio, Texas, State Bar Card Number 15861150, is canceled. Christopher J. Pettit ("Resignee") must immediately surrender Resignee's State Bar Card and Texas law license to the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas or file with the Court an affidavit stating why Resignee cannot.

Christopher J. Pettit is prohibited from practicing law in the State of Texas. Christopher J. Pettit is prohibited from holding themselves out as an attorney at law, performing legal services for others, giving legal advice to others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel or in any representative

capacity in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any Texas administrative body (whether state, county, municipal, or other), or holding themselves out to others or using Resignee's name in any manner in conjunction with the word "Attorney at Law," "Counselor at Law," or "Lawyer."

Additionally, Christopher J. Pettit must immediately notify in writing each of Resignee's current clients and opposing counsel of this resignation. Christopher J. Pettit must also return any files, papers, unearned monies, and other property in Resignee's possession belonging to any client or former client to the respective client or former client or to another attorney at the client's or former client's request. Christopher J. Pettit must file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, within thirty days of the date of this Order an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been notified of this resignation and that all files, papers, monies, and other property belonging to all clients and former clients have been returned.

Finally, Christopher J. Pettit must, within thirty days after the date of this Order, notify in writing each justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each court in which Christopher J. Pettit has any matter pending of the terms of this Order, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address, and telephone number of the client(s) that Christopher J. Pettit is representing in court. Christopher J. Pettit must file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, within thirty days of the date of this Order an affidavit stating that Resignee has notified in writing each justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each court in which

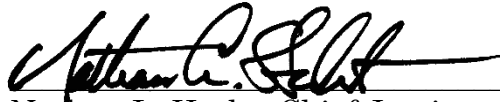
Resignee has any matter pending of the terms of this Order, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address and telephone number of the client(s) Christopher J. Pettit is representing in Court.

CONDITIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT

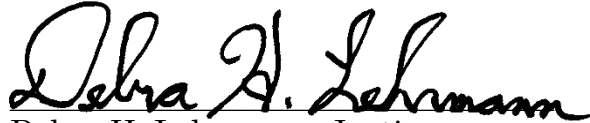
As absolute conditions precedent for the reinstatement of Christopher J. Pettit, he must pay: (1) restitution to Jimmie and Andi Pogue in the amount of \$311,495.54; and (2) attorneys' fees and expenses to the State Bar of Texas in the amount of \$2,500.00. The attorneys' fees and expenses payable to the State Bar of Texas are reimbursement for fees and expenses incurred by Commission for Lawyer Discipline in the matters made the basis of Christopher J. Pettit's resignation.

All payments of restitution must be made by certified or cashier's check or money order and must be delivered to the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas 78701).

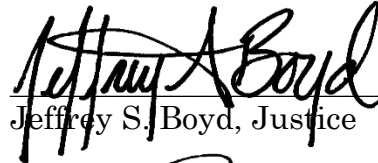
SO ORDERED this 6th day of June, 2022.



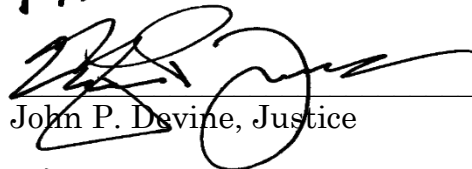
Nathan L. Hecht, Chief Justice



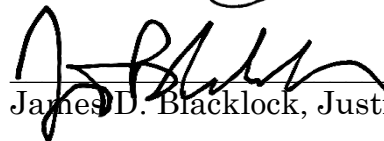
Debra H. Lehrmann, Justice



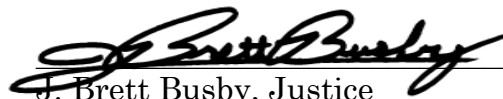
Jeffrey S. Boyd, Justice



John P. Devine, Justice



James D. Blacklock, Justice



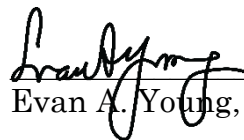
J. Brett Busby, Justice



Jane N. Bland, Justice



Rebeca A. Huddle, Justice



Evan A. Young, Justice