

**IN RE: DALE REESE JENSEN**

**BBO # 664255**

**NO. BD-2024-045**

*The respondent was disbarred on a reciprocal petition for discipline following his disbarment in Virginia for misuse of client funds and pursuit of frivolous legal theories.*

**Judgment (Disbarment) entered by Justice, Kafker on July 17, 2024.<sup>1</sup>**

**SUMMARY<sup>2</sup>**

The respondent, Dale Reese Jensen, is an attorney duly admitted to the Bar of the Commonwealth on February 2, 2006. He was also a member of the bar of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

On January 23, 2024, the Circuit Court for the City of Staunton issued a final order disbarring the respondent from practice in Virginia. The respondent was disbarred, *inter alia*, for accepting significant fees from numerous criminal defendants, to seek their release from custody by pursuing a questionable legal theory that the respondent knew had previously and repeatedly been rejected by the courts of both Virginia and the United States. He also misused client funds by failing to properly deposit client advance fees and retainers into trust accounts and depositing unearned fees into his operating account.

Bar counsel filed a Petition for Reciprocal Discipline with the S.J.C. on April 11, 2024. The respondent received notice of the filing of the Petition but did not file a response. The Court then scheduled a hearing to take place on July 17, 2024, and the respondent was duly notified. When the hearing took place remotely before Judge Kafker on July 17, 2024, assistant bar counsel appeared but the respondent did not. On the same day, the S.J.C. issued an Order of Disbarment. By that Order, the respondent's reinstatement in Massachusetts is conditioned on his reinstatement in Virginia.

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<sup>1</sup> The complete order of the Court is available by contacting the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.

<sup>2</sup> Compiled by the Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers' Office of General Counsel based on the record filed with the Supreme Judicial Court.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUFFOLK, SS.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT  
FOR SUFFOLK COUNTY  
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AMENDED JUDGMENT OF DISBARMENT

This matter came before the Court, Kafker, J., on a Petition for Reciprocal Discipline pursuant to S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 16, and the Final Memorandum Order entered in the Circuit Court of the City of Staunton, Virginia filed by the Office of Bar Counsel on April 11, 2024. On April 11, 2024, an Order of Notice issued and was served on the lawyer in the manner specified in S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 21, directing an answer be made as to why the identical discipline would be unwarranted in Massachusetts. With no response from the lawyer, a second order of notice issued directing him to appear on July 17, 2024, via a remote hearing via ZoomGov.com, before this Court. After a hearing was held, attend by assistant bar counsel;

It is ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that: Dale Reese Jensen is hereby disbarred from the practice of law in the Commonwealth effective immediately upon the entry of this Judgment, and the lawyer's name is forthwith stricken from the Roll of Attorneys.

The lawyer's reinstatement to the practice of law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall be conditioned upon his reinstatement in Virginia and pursuant to S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 18 (2), (4) and (5).

By the Court, (Kafker, J.)

/s/ Maura S. Doyle

Maura S. Doyle, Clerk

Dated: July 17, 2024