

IN RE: ALBERT V. INNARELLI

S.J.C. Judgment of Disbarment entered by Justice Spina on April 1, 2004.<sup>1</sup>

SUMMARY<sup>2</sup>

The respondent's practice was concentrated in residential real estate closings. He failed to pay off the pre-existing mortgages on a number of loans that he closed in 2002, instead misappropriating and converting the funds entrusted to him for that purpose. The total amount of the respondent's misappropriations was not less than \$399,000.00. After the borrowers discovered the shortages, their losses were repaid by the title insurer.

The respondent pleaded guilty to multiple counts of larceny in the Hampden County Superior Court.

The respondent's actions constituted dishonesty, fraud, deceit, and misrepresentation in violation of Mass. R. Prof. C. 8.4(c); failure to segregate, safeguard, and account for clients' funds in violation of Mass. R. Prof. C. 1.15(a) and (b); failure to communicate in violation of Mass. R. Prof. C. 1.4(a) and (b); and conduct that adversely reflects on his fitness to practice law in violation Mass. R. Prof. C. 8.4(h).

In addition, the respondent violated Mass. R. Prof. C. 8.4(g) and S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 3, by failing to cooperate with Bar Counsel's investigation.

<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 Board of Bar Overseers based on the record before the Court.

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