IN RE: RAYMOND J. WAUFORD, JR.

NO. BD-2014-062

SUMMARY¹

This matter came before the Board of Bar Overseers and the Court on the respondent's affidavit of resignation pursuant to Supreme Judicial Court Rule 4:01, § 15. In the affidavit, the respondent acknowledged that sufficient evidence existed to warrant findings that the material facts summarized below could be proved by a preponderance of the evidence.

The respondent was admitted to practice in the Commonwealth on January 19, 2001. Over a period of time, in his capacity as administrator of the Estate of Stephen A. Mack, the respondent intentionally misused no less than \$324,418.60 of estate funds to pay personal and business expenses unrelated to the Mack estate. At the time his resignation was submitted, the respondent had not returned any of the funds to the Mack estate.

By his conduct, the respondent violated Mass. R. Prof. C. 1.15(b) and (c) and 8.4(c) and (h).

On May 6, 2014, the respondent filed an affidavit of resignation. Bar counsel recommended that the affidavit be accepted and that an order of disbarment enter.

On June 2, 2014, the Board of Bar Overseers voted to recommend that the affidavit of resignation be accepted and that an order of disbarment enter. On June 12, 2014, the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County accepted the affidavit of resignation and ordered that a judgment of disbarment enter, effective thirty days after the date of the entry of the judgment.

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¹ Compiled by the Board of Bar Overseers based on the record filed with the Supreme Judicial Court.