# BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL, : No. 57 DB 2023

Petitioner

:

v. : Attorney Reg. No. 205573

:

NATHANIEL EDMOND STRASSER,

Respondent : (Erie County)

#### **ANSWER TO PETITION FOR DISCIPLINE**

Respondent, Nathaniel Edmond Strasser, Esq., appearing *In Propria Persona*, on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2023, files this Answer To Petition For Discipline, and alleges, avers and states the following:

- 1. ADMITTED.
- 2. ADMITTED.
- 3. ADMITTED.
- 4. ADMITTED.
- 5. ADMITTED.
- 6. ADMITTED.
- 7. ADMITTED.
- 8. DENIED. Respondent specifically denies being "under the influence" cocaine or any substance on Wednesday, November 2, 2022.
- 9. DENIED. Respondent wore sunglasses on November 2, 2022 before and after he he appeared before Magisterial District Judge Lisa Ferrick, however, Respondent denies wearing sunglasses during his official appearance in the matter. Additionally Respondent denies being unable to "sit still." Respondent was only inside Magisterial District Court 06-3-01 for

approximately 10 to 15 minutes on November 2, 2022, most of which he spent standing at Judge Ferrick's counter with his client and the State Troopers for the official proceeding.

- 10. ADMITTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART. Trooper Weber did approach
  Respondent in the parking lot of Magisterial District Court 06-3-01 after their official business
  concluded on November 2, 2022:
  - (a) ADMITTED;
  - (b) DENIED. Respondent denies that he refused to submit to any field sobriety tests. After being approached by Trooper Weber, Respondent's exact words were "I'll do anything you want Chris, but you are not getting my blood. Respondent complied with every request and demand of Trooper Weber;
  - (c) ADMITTED.
  - 11. ADMITTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART.
    - (a) ADMITTED. Respondent has no information to deny his pupils were dilated;
    - (b) DENIED. Both of Respondent's nostrils had hair inside of them and both were inflamed;
    - (c) DENIED. Respondent's nose was not "bleeding." However, there was dried blood inside both of Respondent's nostrils which could be observed.
  - 12. ADMITTED.
  - 13. ADMITTED.
  - 14. ADMITTED.
  - 15. ADMITTED.
- 16. DENIED. Respondent takes this matter very serious; however, Respondent denies having violated any Rule of Professional Conduct.

(a) DENIED. Respondent denies having violated Pa. R.P.C. 1.16(a)(2) and

specifically denies that his physical or mental condition has ever been materially

impaired. Respondent also specifically denies that his ability to represent any

client or his fitness to practice law has ever been impaired at any time.

(b) DENIED. Respondent denies having violated Pa. R.P.C. 8.4(b) and specifically

denies having committed any criminal act since he was admitted to practice law

in Pennsylvania. Respondent specifically denies committing any act, criminal or

otherwise, that would adversely affect Respondent's honesty, trustworthiness, or

otherwise fitness as a lawyer. Respondent has not been convicted of nor charged

with any criminal act since having been admitted to practicing law. The Petition

does not allege what criminal act Respondent committed; and therefore, it is

impossible for Respondent to provide any further response.

WHEREFORE, Respondent has no objection to Petitioner's request that your Honorable

Board, pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 205, appoint a Hearing Committee to hear testimony and receive

evidence regarding factual allegations contained in the Petition For Discipline, which have been

denied by Respondent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mathe

Date 4/28/23

Nathaniel E. Strasser, Esq.

Respondent Appearance In Propria Persona.

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### **VERIFICATION**

AND NOW, on this 28th day of April, 2023, the statements contained in the foregoing Answer To Petition For Discipline are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief and are made knowingly subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day, May 1, 2023, served by first-class mail the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 204 *Pa. Code* § 89.22 (relating to service by a participant).

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2023

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH 89.54

Respondent was served the Petition on April 10, 2023 and the 20<sup>th</sup> day thereafter was April 30, 2023, which was a Sunday, to which neither the Disciplinary Board, Disciplinary Counsel, nor the United States Post Office was open. Pursuant to the Statutory Construction Act, 1 Pa. C.S. 8 1908, the time requirements for service and filing in Rule 89.54 of the Disciplinary Board Rules are automatically extended to the next business day, which is Monday, May 1, 2023. Pursuant to Rule 89.24 of the Disciplinary Board Rules the date of service on Disciplinary Counsel is the date deposited in the mail. Additionally, the date of filing with the Disciplinary Board is the date it is received by the Board. The Board electronically received the Answer through the Attorney Gateway on May 1, 2023 and will receive the original and 1 copy by first-class mail. Since Respondent's answer was mailed to Disciplinary Counsel and received by the Disciplinary Board on May 1, 2023, Respondent has complied with Rule 89.54.

Respectfully Submitted,

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