IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF KERRY P. FAUGHNAN, BAR NO. 12204 No. 85940

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ORDER IMPOSING TEMPORARY SUSPENSION HIEF DEPUTY CL AND REFERRING ATTORNEY TO DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Bar counsel has filed a petition under SCR 111(4) informing this court that attorney Kerry P. Faughnan has been convicted of conspiracy to commit theft, a gross misdemeanor in violation of NRS 205.0832(1)(a) and NRS 199.480(3)(g). Faughnan self-reported the conviction as required by SCR 111(2).

When a petition filed under SCR 111(4) establishes that an attorney has been convicted of a "serious crime," this court is required to suspend the attorney pending a disciplinary proceeding and refer the attorney to the appropriate disciplinary board. SCR 111(7) ("Upon the filing with the supreme court of a petition with a certified copy of proof of the conviction, demonstrating that an attorney has been convicted of a serious crime, the court shall enter an order suspending the attorney . . . pending final disposition of a disciplinary proceeding"); SCR 111(8) ("Upon receipt of a petition filed under subsection 4 of this rule, demonstrating that an attorney has been convicted of a serious crime, the supreme court shall, in addition to suspending the attorney in accordance

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¹For purposes of SCR 111, a "conviction" includes a guilty plea "regardless of . . . whether a final judgment of conviction has been entered." SCR 111(1).

with the provisions of subsection 7 of this rule, refer the matter to the appropriate disciplinary board"). The documents included with the petition filed in this matter establish that Faughnan has been convicted of a "serious crime." See SCR 111(6) (providing that "serious crime" includes any non-felony offense "that adversely reflects on the attorney's fitness to practice law" or involves certain enumerated conduct including theft or "an attempt or a conspiracy or solicitation of another to commit a 'serious crime").

Accordingly, we suspend attorney Kerry P. Faughnan from the practice of law pending a disciplinary proceeding and refer him to the Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board for a hearing to determine "the extent of the discipline to be imposed." SCR 111(8).

It is so ORDERED.2

<u>Stiglich</u>, C.J

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cc: Chair, Southern Nevada Disciplinary Board

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²This order constitutes our final disposition of the is matter. Any further proceedings involving Faughnan shall be docketed as a new matter.