

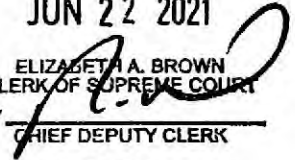
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF
BRADLEY J. BELLISARIO, BAR NO.
13452.

No. 82922

FILED

JUN 22 2021

ELIZABETH A. BROWN
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
BY 
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

***ORDER IMPOSING TEMPORARY SUSPENSION AND
RESTRICTING HANDLING OF CLIENT FUNDS***

This is a petition by the State Bar for an order temporarily suspending attorney Bradley Bellisario from the practice of law, pending the resolution of formal disciplinary proceedings against him. The petition and supporting documentation demonstrate that Bellisario appears to have misappropriated client funds in excess of \$218,000. Bellisario has not responded to multiple inquiries from the State Bar regarding four grievances related to his handling of settlement funds entrusted to him on clients' behalves or a grievance related to the overdraft of his trust account.

SCR 102(4)(b) provides, in pertinent part:

On the petition of bar counsel, supported by an affidavit alleging facts personally known to the affiant, which shows that an attorney appears to be posing a substantial threat of serious harm to the public, the supreme court may order, with notice as the court may prescribe, the attorney's immediate temporary suspension or may impose other conditions upon the attorney's practice.

In addition, SCR 102(4)(c) provides that we may place restrictions on an attorney's handling of funds.

We conclude that the documentation before us demonstrates that Bellisario poses a substantial threat of serious harm to the public based

on a recent pattern of misappropriation of client funds and that his immediate temporary suspension is warranted under SCR 102(4)(b). We further conclude that Bellisario's handling of funds should be restricted.

Accordingly, attorney Bradley Bellisario is temporarily suspended from the practice of law, pending the resolution of formal disciplinary proceedings against him.¹ Under SCR 102(4)(d), Bellisario is precluded from accepting new cases immediately upon service of this order, but he may continue to represent existing clients for a period of 15 days from service of this order. In addition, pursuant to SCR 102(4)(b) and (c), we impose the following conditions on Bellisario's handling of funds entrusted to him:

1. All proceeds from Bellisario's practice of law and all fees and other funds received from or on behalf of his clients shall, from the date of service of this order, be deposited into a trust account from which no withdrawals may be made by Bellisario except upon written approval of bar counsel; and

2. Bellisario is prohibited from withdrawing any funds from any and all accounts in any way relating to his law practice, including but not limited to his general and trust accounts, except upon written approval of bar counsel.

The State Bar shall immediately serve Bellisario with a copy of this order. Such service may be accomplished by personal service, certified mail, delivery to a person of suitable age at Bellisario's place of employment or residence, or by publication. When served on either Bellisario or a depository in which he maintains an account, this order shall constitute an

¹Bellisario may file a petition asking this court to dissolve or amend the order of temporary suspension as provided in SCR 102(4)(e).

injunction against withdrawal of the proceeds except in accordance with the terms of this order. See SCR 102(4)(c). Bellisario shall comply with the provisions of SCR 115.²

It is so ORDERED.

Hardesty, C.J.
Hardesty

Parraguirre, J.
Parraguirre

Stiglich, J.
Stiglich

Cadish, J.
Cadish

Silver, J.
Silver

Pickering, J.
Pickering

Herndon, J.
Herndon

cc: Bar Counsel, State Bar of Nevada
Executive Director, State Bar of Nevada
Admissions Office, United States Supreme Court
Bradley J. Bellisario

²As provided in SCR 121(5), this matter is now public. This is our final disposition of this matter. Any new proceedings shall be docketed under a new docket number.