

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

IN RE: JESSE P. LAGARDE

No. 2021-B-00797

IN RE: Disciplinary Counsel - Applicant Other; Jesse P. Lagarde – Applicant Other;
Joint Petition for Consent Discipline;

September 27, 2021

Joint petition for consent discipline accepted. See per curiam.

JDH

JLW

WJC

JBM

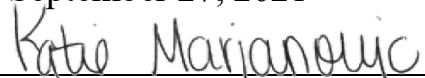
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Crichton, J., dissents and assigns reasons.

Genovese, J., dissents for reasons assigned by Justice Crichton.

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Chief Deputy Clerk of Court

For the Court

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ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING

PER CURIAM

The Office of Disciplinary Counsel (“ODC”) commenced an investigation into allegations that respondent neglected a legal matter and failed to communicate with his client. Respondent subsequently failed to cooperate with the ODC in its investigation. Prior to the filing of formal charges, respondent and the ODC submitted a joint petition for consent discipline in which respondent admitted that his conduct violated Rules 1.3, 1.4, 1.16(d), 3.2, and 8.1(c) of the Rules of Professional Conduct. Having reviewed the petition,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and that Jesse P. Lagarde, Louisiana Bar Roll number 36538, be suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months. This suspension shall be deferred in its entirety, subject to a one-year period of probation governed by the conditions set forth in the petition for consent discipline. The probationary period shall commence from the date respondent and the ODC execute a formal probation plan. Any failure of respondent to comply with the conditions of probation, or any misconduct during the probationary period, may be grounds for making the deferred suspension executory, or imposing additional discipline, as appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all costs and expenses in the matter are assessed against respondent in accordance with Supreme Court Rule XIX, § 10.1, with legal interest to commence thirty days from the date of finality of this court’s judgment until paid.