DISCIPLINARY QUARTERLY REPORT

Reporting Period: October 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

REPORT BY DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

Final Decisions

Final Decisions of the NM Supreme Court ……0

Summary Suspensions

Total number of attorneys summarily suspended……0

Total number of attorneys summarily suspended (reciprocal)…….0

Administrative Suspensions

Total number of attorneys administratively suspended.....1

Matter of Ralph D. Dowden, Esq. (S-1-SC-39032). The New Mexico Supreme Court issued an order on October 29, 2021, administratively suspending Respondent from the practice of law until further order from this Court.

Disability Inactive Status

Total number of attorneys removed from disability inactive states 0

Charges Filed

Charges were filed against an attorney for allegedly failing to provide competent representation, communicating with a person represented by counsel, and/or engaging in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Charges were filed against an attorney for allegedly failing to competently represent to a client, communicating with a person represented by counsel; and/or engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Charges were filed against an attorney for allegedly failing to competently represent a client, failing to diligently represent a client, representing a client when his personal interests materially limit the representation, by filing a frivolous pleading, and engaging in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Charges were filed against an attorney for allegedly revealing information relating to the representation of a client without the client's informed consent.

Injunctive Relief

Total number of injunctions prohibiting the unauthorized practice of law ……0

Reinstatement from Probation

Petitions for reinstatement filed 0

Formal Reprimands

Total number of attorneys formally reprimanded 3

Informal Admonitions

Total number of attorneys admonished 1

Letters of Caution

Total number of attorneys cautioned 12

Attorneys were cautioned for the following conduct: (1) excessive fees; (5) failure to communicate; (4) lack of diligence, (1) dishonesty, deceit, fraud , misrepresentation; (1) exparte contact with the court, (1) improper withdrawal; (1) lack of candor to tribunal; (1) prosecutorial misconduct; (2) improper statements about judge's integrity.

Complaints Received

Allegations	*No. of Complaints*
Trust Account Violations.....	1
Conflict of Interest.....	12
Neglect and/or Incompetence.....	48
Misrepresentation or Fraud.....	11
Relationship with Client or Court.....	1
Fees.....	11
Improper Communications.....	3
Criminal Activity.....	2
Personal Behavior.....	1
Other.....	39
Total number of complaints received.....	142