

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

IN RE:

The Florida Bar File
No. 2022-50,275(15E)FDR

THE PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY
REVOCATION OF GARY W. KOVACS

Petitioner.

**PETITION FOR PERMANENT DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION
WITHOUT LEAVE TO APPLY FOR READMISSION**

COMES NOW Petitioner, Gary W. Kovacs, and submits this Petition for Disciplinary Revocation pursuant to Rule Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.12 and states:

1. Petitioner knowingly and voluntarily submits this petition with full knowledge of its effect.
2. Petitioner is 57 years old and has been a member of The Florida Bar since April 26, 1993. On February 22, 2018, this Honorable Court accepted petitioner's Petition for Disciplinary Revocation with Leave to Apply for Readmission. Petitioner is subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida and the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar.
3. On February 21, 2019, the bar filed a Notice to the Supreme Court of Florida of Petitioner's non-compliance with this court's order dated

February 22, 2018 since petitioner did not submit the required affidavit pursuant to Rule 3-5.1(b) of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar.

4. On October 1, 2021, petitioner was convicted by a jury in Palm Beach County of an organized scheme to defraud and two counts of money laundering. Petitioner has not yet been sentenced.

5. Petitioner is currently charged in Broward County with grand theft and practicing law while suspended or disbarred.

6. The following disciplinary charges are currently pending against the Petitioner:

A. The Florida Bar File No. 2021-50,710(15E) is pending before a referee on The Florida Bar's Petition for Contempt and Order to Show Cause. The allegations concern petitioner's engaging in the practice of law and obtaining legal fees when no longer a member of the Florida Bar in good standing.

7. Petitioner contends that granting this Petition will not adversely affect the public interest, the integrity of the courts, or the confidence of the public in the legal profession. Further, Petitioner contends that granting this Petition will not hinder the administration of justice.

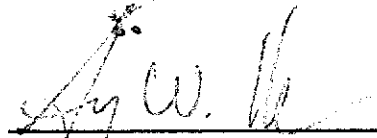
8. Petitioner states that by signing this petition he is not admitting to any criminal matters as contained in paragraphs (5) and

6A of this petition.

9. Petitioner understands that the granting of this petition by the Supreme Court of Florida shall serve to dismiss all pending disciplinary cases.

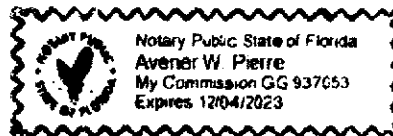
WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court grant this Petition and order that Petitioner's membership in The Florida Bar be revoked without leave to seek readmission.

Respectfully submitted,



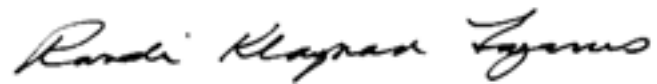
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Dated this 19th day of November 2021.



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been E-filed with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, with a copy provided via United States Mail to Respondent, Gary W. Kovacs (Inmate #500600638, Cell #S8, Jacket #0501223), Main Detention Center, P.O. Box 24716, West Palm Beach, FL 33416; to Joshua E. Doyle, Executive Director, The Florida Bar, via e-mail at jdoyle@floridabar.org; and to Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, via e-mail at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 22nd day of November 2021.



Randi Klayman Lazarus, Bar Counsel