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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case
No. SC-

IN RE:
THE PETITION FOR
DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION OF
JAMES RUSSELL LEONE

The Florida Bar File
No. 2022-30,504 (7A) CDR

Petitioner.

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

COMES NOW Petitioner, James Russell Leone, 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 without leave to reapply for readmission with full knowledge of its effect.
2. Petitioner is 78 years old and was a member of The Florida Bar from July 25, 1985, until his petition for disciplinary revocation with leave to reapply for readmission was granted by this Court in SC20-1553 on December 17, 2020, and is subject to the continuing jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida.
3. Petitioner has no other prior discipline history.

4. The following disciplinary charges are currently pending against petitioner:

A. In The Florida Bar v. Leone, SC21-1232, The Florida Bar File No. 2022-30,069 (7A) (OSC), The Florida Bar filed a petition for contempt and order to show cause alleging petitioner engaged in the unlicensed practice of law in contempt of this Court's order granting his disciplinary revocation in SC20-1553. This matter is currently pending before a referee.

5. 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.

6. Petitioner agrees to reimburse the Client Security Fund (CSF) for any and all funds CSF has paid or may pay out for claims resulting from petitioner's misconduct.

7. Petitioner agrees to reimburse The Florida Bar \$1,250.00 for the costs incurred in SC SC21-1232, The Florida Bar File No. 2022-30,069 (7A) (OSC).

8. Petitioner understands that pursuant to his disciplinary revocation granted December 17, 2020 he is still bound by his agreement

to submit to a complete audit of any trust account(s) and any other account(s) in which petitioner has placed client funds, if requested to do so by The Florida Bar.

9. Petitioner further agrees to submit a sworn financial affidavit to The Florida Bar attesting to petitioner's current personal and professional financial circumstances on a form to be provided by The Florida Bar within thirty (30) days, if requested.

10. Petitioner further agrees to maintain a current mailing address with The Florida Bar for a period of five (5) years after the disciplinary revocation becomes final. Further, petitioner shall keep the bar advised as to the physical address of petitioner's home and/or business in the event petitioner should utilize a post office box or other type of mail drop service during the five (5) year period after the disciplinary revocation becomes final.

11. Petitioner understands that he is under the continuing obligation to eliminate all indicia of petitioner's status as an attorney on email, social media, telephone listings, stationery, checks, business cards, office signs or any other indicia of petitioner's status as an attorney, whatsoever.

12. 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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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been Efiled with The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida; with copies provided by email to James R. Leone, ; Joshua E. Doyle, Executive Director, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300 at jdoyle@floridabar.org; and to Staff Counsel, The Florida Bar, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300 at psavitz@floridabar.org, on this 8th day of March, 2022.



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