

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on the 10th of January, 2007, the following order was made and entered:

Lawyer Disciplinary Board, Petitioner

vs.) No. 33116

Joseph P. Albright, Jr., a member of The West Virginia State Bar, Respondent

On a former day, to-wit, November 21, 2006, came the Hearing Panel Subcommittee of the Lawyer Disciplinary Board, by David W. Frame, its chairperson, pursuant to Rule 3.10 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure, and presented to the Court its written recommended disposition in this matter, stipulated to by the parties, recommending that: (1) the respondent be publicly reprimanded for his violations of Rule 1.3 and Rule 1.4(a) in Count I, and Rule 8.1(b) in Counts II, IV and VI; (2) pursuant to Rule 3.15 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure, respondent shall pay the costs of this disciplinary proceeding; and (3) the respondent is ordered to complete the matter for Mrs. Ramsey and shall provide a status report to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel every three months following this Court's ruling on this matter until such time as he concludes Mrs. Ramsey's matter.

Upon consideration whereof, the Court is of opinion to and doth hereby adopt the stipulated written recommended disposition of the Hearing Panel Subcommittee of the Lawyer Disciplinary Board. It is therefore ordered that: (1) the respondent be, and he hereby is publicly reprimanded for his violations of Rule 1.3 and Rule 1.4(a) in Count I,

and Rule 8.1(b) in Counts II, IV and VI; (2) pursuant to Rule 3.15 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure, respondent shall pay the costs of this disciplinary proceeding; and (3) the respondent is ordered to complete the matter for Mrs. Ramsey and shall provide a status report to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel every three months following this Court's ruling on this matter until such time as he concludes Mrs. Ramsey's matter. Justice Albright disqualified.

Service of an attested copy of this order shall constitute sufficient notice of its contents.

A True Copy

Attest:

Clerk, Supreme Court of Appeals