



SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA
Case No. S09Y0429

Atlanta

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The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

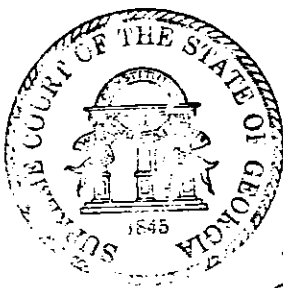
The following order was passed:

IN THE MATTER OF ASHUTOSH S. JOSHI

This matter is before the Court on the petition of Ashutosh S. Joshi for voluntary discipline in the form of a public reprimand with conditions. Joshi admits that shortly after representing the State in its criminal prosecution of a defendant, he spoke with the defendant's family about representing the defendant on appeal, and that during those discussions he stated that certain witnesses at the defendant's trial had testified falsely. This Court rejected Joshi's previous petition for voluntary discipline because he refused to admit that he actually violated any of the Rules of Professional Conduct. See In the Matter of Ashutosh S. Joshi, S08Y1466 (October 6, 2008).

However, Joshi now admits he violated Rule 1.11 of the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct, which is contained in Bar Rule 4-102 (d) and carries a maximum penalty of disbarment and states that he is remorseful and accepts responsibility for his conduct. Joshi has no prior disciplinary history, he has submitted letters from attorneys and judges attesting to his general good character and reputation, and the State Bar does not oppose a public reprimand. Accordingly, it is ordered that the petition for voluntary discipline be accepted and that Joshi be administered a public reprimand in open court, pursuant to Bar Rules 4-102 (b) (3) and 4-220 (c), and that he attend the next session of State Bar's ethics school.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA
Clerk's Office, Atlanta



I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from the minutes of the Supreme Court of Georgia.

Witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto affixed the day and year last above written.

, Chief Deputy Clerk