SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 12-B-1213

IN RE: KIMBERLY MARIE RICHARDSON

ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PER CURIAM*

The Office of Disciplinary Counsel ("ODC") commenced an investigation

into allegations that respondent signed the name of another lawyer as notary on

two affidavits. Following the institution of formal charges, respondent and the

ODC submitted a joint petition for consent discipline. Having reviewed the

petition,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and

that Kimberly Marie Richardson, Louisiana Bar Roll number 23552, be suspended

from the practice of law for a period of one year and one day. It is further ordered

that this suspension shall be deferred in its entirety and that respondent shall be

placed on probation for a period of five years, subject to the conditions set forth in

the petition for consent discipline. Any failure of respondent to comply with the

conditions of probation may be grounds for making the deferred suspension

executory, or imposing additional discipline, as appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all costs and expenses in the matter are

assessed against respondent in accordance with Supreme Court Rule XIX, § 10.1,

with legal interest to commence thirty days from the date of finality of this court's

judgment until paid.

* Chief Justice Kimball not participating in the opinion.