



SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA
Case No. S05Y1270.

Atlanta July 8, 2005

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.
The following order was passed:

IN THE MATTER OF JEFFREY SCOTT DENNY.

This matter is before the Court on the special master's report recommending that the Court accept the petition for voluntary discipline and impose a Review Panel reprimand for the violation of Rules 1.3, 1.4, and 1.16 (d) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d).

Denny was hired to represent a client in a personal injury action. He actively prosecuted the case, but later dismissed the case without prejudice, did not tell his client he dismissed the case, and effectively terminated his representation of the client, but without telling the client. After the filing of the formal complaint and appointment of a special master, Denny filed a petition for voluntary discipline seeking a Review Panel reprimand. The State Bar agreed to that disposition and both parties waived Review Panel review.

The special master found that Denny's conduct violated Rules 1.3, 1.4, and 1.16 (d) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d). As mitigating factors, the special master found: the absence of a prior disciplinary record (Denny was admitted in 1998); Denny was suffering from a chronic and debilitating illness during the time of the representation and this illness affected the representation; and Denny is remorseful and lacked a dishonest or selfish motive.

We accept the recommendation of the special master and the petition for voluntary discipline, and hereby order that Denny receive a Review Panel reprimand.



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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