

SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA Case No. S99Y0243.

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The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

IN THE MATTER OF FRANK B. PERRY

Respondent Frank B. Perry filed a Petition for Voluntary Discipline prior to the filing of a Formal Complaint against him requesting the imposition of a public reprimand for his admitted violations of Standard 44 (lawyer shall not wilfully abandon or disregard a legal matter entrusted to him) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d). The State Bar recommends accepting the petition, including Perry's agreement to pay \$1,000 in restitution to one of his clients. We agree that a public reprimand is an appropriate sanction in this matter.

In two cases, Perry agreed to represent clients and perform certain tasks on their behalf. Perry either failed to perform as promised, in one case causing his clients to suffer a default judgment and the award of money damages against them, or failed to adequately communicate with his client. Perry admits that his conduct violated Standard 44. In considering the proper discipline in this matter, we note that Perry, who has been a member of the State Bar since 1980, has had no prior discipline, and has made free and full disclosure to the disciplinary authorities and displayed a cooperative attitude toward these proceedings.

Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that for his violation of Standard 44 of Bar Rule 4-102 (d) Respondent Frank B. Perry be administered a public reprimand in open court in Catoosa County, Georgia, by a judge of the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit, and that he pay to Ms. Billie D. Watkins \$1,000 in restitution within 90 days from the date of this order.



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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.

Jam M Stinchcomb, Chief Deputy Clerk