

Supreme Court of Georgia
Case No. S98Y1913

Atlanta, **DEC 04 1998**

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

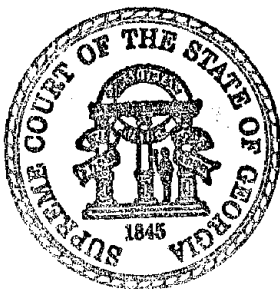
The following order was passed:

IN THE MATTER OF E. HERMAN WARNOCK.

Respondent E. Herman Warnock was properly served with the State Bar's Notice of Discipline charging him with violating Standard 25 (a lawyer shall not practice law in a jurisdiction where to do so would be in violation of regulations of the profession in that jurisdiction) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d). Warnock acknowledged service of the Notice of Discipline but failed to file a valid Notice of Rejection of Notice of Discipline within the requisite time set by Bar Rule 4-208.3 (a). Subsequently, the State Bar filed a Motion for Issuance of Order on Notice of Discipline seeking adoption of the Notice of Discipline and of the Investigative Panel's recommendation that Warnock receive a public reprimand. The State Bar found that Warnock, who was suspended from the practice of law by order of this Court from January 2, 1998 to February 27, 1998, and who acknowledged receipt of the order of interim suspension on January 6, 1998, prepared and presented a proposed pre-trial order to opposing counsel in a bankruptcy case on January 9 and 13, 1998. Warnock has acknowledged that this conduct constituted the practice of law. In mitigation of the level of discipline to be imposed, the Investigative Panel considered Warnock's substantial experience in the practice of law and his candor in admitting the violation. In aggravation, the Panel considered Warnock's prior disciplinary record which includes, in addition to the January 2, 1998 suspension, a formal letter of admonition (1987), a public reprimand (1989), and a Review Panel reprimand (1998). We have reviewed the record and agree with the Investigative Panel that Warnock's conduct violated Standard 25 of Bar Rule 4-102 (d) and that a public reprimand is the appropriate sanction under the circumstances.

Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that for his violation of Standard 25 of Bar Rule 4-102 (d), Respondent E. Herman Warnock be administered a public reprimand in open court pursuant to Bar Rules 4-102 (b) (3) and 4-220 (c) by a judge of the superior court where Warnock resides.

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



I 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.

Leopold M. Sturick

, Chief Deputy Clerk