



**SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA**  
Case No. S98Y0693

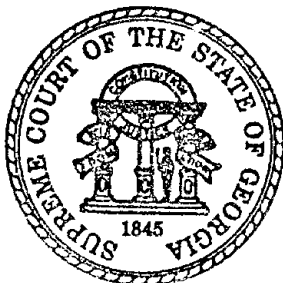
Atlanta, April 10, 1998

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

**IN THE MATTER OF R. BRUCE WARREN.**

This disciplinary matter was previously considered by the Court upon Respondent R. Bruce Warren's Petition for Voluntary Discipline which was rejected by the Court. The matter was remanded to the State Bar for further proceedings. Following the State Bar's filing of a Formal Complaint against him, and Respondent's answer thereto, Warren and the State Bar filed, for consideration by the special master, a Joint Stipulation of Facts and Conduct requesting appropriate discipline for Warren's admitted violation of Standard 33 of Bar Rule 4-102 (prohibiting lawyers from entering a business transaction with a client if they have differing interests and if the client expects the lawyer to exercise his professional judgment therein for the protection of the client unless the client has consented after full disclosure). We have reviewed the record and agree with the special master's recommendation that a Review Panel reprimand is appropriate in this case. See ABA Standards for Imposing Lawyer Sanctions (1991), Standard 4.33 Reprimand appropriate when lawyer is negligent in determining whether the representation of a client may be materially affected by the lawyer's own interests and causes injury or potential injury to a client. This Court also has considered the mitigating factors of the absence of any prior disciplinary action against Warren and his full and free cooperation during the disciplinary proceedings. See ABA Standard 9.3. Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that the Review Panel administer a reprimand to Warren for his violation of Standard 33 of Bar Rule 4-102 at the Review Panel's next meeting. See Bar Rule 4-102 (b) (4).



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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.

*Lyn M. Sturckome*, Chief Deputy Clerk