

In the Supreme Court of Georgia

Decided:

JUL 14 1995

S95Y1377. In the Matter of Walter Stephen Scott

PER CURIAM.

Three separate formal complaints were filed against Scott, generally alleging that he engaged in conduct in violation of Standards 4 (engaging in professional conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, etc.) 22 and 23 (failing to follow the requirements regarding withdrawing from employment), 44 (abandoning a legal matter), 45 (knowingly engaging in conduct contrary to a disciplinary rule), 63 (failing to maintain complete records of all a client's funds and promptly rendering appropriate accounts to the client regarding the funds, 65 (failing to account for trust property held in a fiduciary capacity), and 68 (failing to respond to disciplinary authorities) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d).

Scott failed to respond to the formal complaints and the State Bar moved for and was granted default judgments. All the allegations and violations charged in the formal complaints were deemed admitted.

The special master entered an order in each of the cases and recommended, based upon the multiple violations and Scott's failure to respond, that the review panel recommended the highest level of disciplinary action to this Court. The review panel accepted the

special master's finding of fact and conclusions of law and recommended that Scott be disbarred.

After considering the record in this case and Scott's prior disciplinary action,¹ we hereby order that Walter Stephen Scott is disbarred from the practice of law in this state and his name shall be stricken from the roll of those allowed to practice law in Georgia.

Disbarred. Benham, C.J., Fletcher, P.J., Sears, Hunstein, and Carley, JJ., concur. Thompson, J., disqualified.

¹This Court suspended Scott indefinitely for violation of Standard 66 (conviction of a felony) of Bar Rule 4-102 (d). In the Matter of Walter Stephen Scott, 265 Ga. 339 (___ SE2d ___) (1995).