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In the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska

In the Disciplinary Matter Involving)

JEFFREY H. VANCE, Attorney.)

Supreme Court No. S-16858

ABA File No. 2016D140

Order

Order No. 101 – April 6, 2018

Before: Stowers, Chief Justice, Winfree, Maassen, Bolger, and Carney, Justices.

Bar Counsel for the Alaska Bar Association and attorney Jeffrey H. Vance entered into a stipulation for discipline by consent that would result in a six-month suspension from the practice of law and payment of \$1,000 in costs. The Bar Association's Disciplinary Board approved the stipulation and now recommends that we do so as well. The facts of Vance's misconduct are set forth in the stipulation, which is attached as an appendix.¹ We take these facts as true,² and we apply our independent judgment to the sanctions' appropriateness.³

¹ The stipulation has been edited to delete identifying references to others, for clarification, and to conform to supreme court technical requirements; attachments to the stipulation have been removed.

² Cf. *In re Miles*, 339 P.3d 1009, 1018 (Alaska 2014) ("We independently review the entire record in attorney disciplinary proceedings, though findings of fact made by the Board are entitled to great weight." (quoting *In re Shea*, 273 P.3d 612, 619 (Alaska 2012))).

³ *Id.*

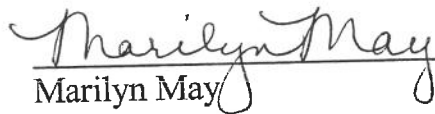
Based on the stipulated facts we agree with the legal analysis — set out in the stipulation — that suspension for six months is the appropriate sanction for Vance's misconduct. Accordingly:

Jeffrey H. Vance is suspended from the practice of law for six months. In addition, Vance shall pay \$1,000 to the Alaska Bar Association within 60 days from entry of this order for disciplinary costs and fees incurred in this case.

This order is effective 30 days after issuance pursuant to Alaska Bar Rule 28(c).

Entered by direction of the court.

Clerk of the Appellate Courts


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) **Order**

) Respondent.

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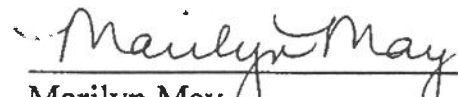
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On consideration of the respondent's 4/6/2018 stipulated waiver of 30-day period under Bar Rule 28 (c),

IT IS ORDERED: The motion is **GRANTED**. The stipulated waiver of 30-day period under Bar Rule 28 (c) is accepted as the stipulation of the parties and hereby orders that respondent Jeffrey Vance's suspension commence immediately.

Entered by direction of an individual justice.

Clerk of the Appellate Courts


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