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In the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska

In the Disciplinary Matter Involving	)	
	)	Supreme Court No. S-19117
	)	
BENJAMIN CRITTENDEN,	)	ABA File Nos. 2023D050, 2023D052,
Respondent.	)	2023D054, 2023D056, 2023D057,
	)	2023D073, 2023D085, 2023D089,
	)	2023D090, 2023D136, 2023D141,
	)	2023D165, 2023D188, 2023D202,
	)	2024D043, and 2024D049
	)	ABA Member No. 0511098
	)	
	)	Order
	)	
	)	Order No. 122 – August 30, 2024

Before: Maassen, Chief Justice, and Borghesan, Henderson and Pate, Justices. [Carney, Justice, not participating.]

Bar Counsel of the Alaska Bar Association and attorney Benjamin Crittenden, through counsel, entered into a stipulation for discipline by consent that would result in Crittenden's disbarment. The Bar Association's Disciplinary Board approved the stipulation and now recommends that we do so as well. The facts of Crittenden's misconduct are set out in the Stipulation for Discipline by Consent Pursuant to Alaska Bar Rule 22(h), attached as an appendix.¹ We take these facts as

¹ The stipulation has been lightly edited, primarily to obscure client identities.

true, and we apply our independent judgment to the appropriateness of the recommended sanction.²

Based on the stipulated facts, we agree with the stipulation's legal analysis that disbarment is the appropriate sanction for Crittenden's misconduct. Accordingly:

Benjamin Crittenden is DISBARRED from the practice of law in Alaska to take effect immediately. Pursuant to Alaska Bar Rule 16(c)(3), Crittenden must pay \$1,000 to the Alaska Bar Association within 60 days of this order for disciplinary expenses incurred in this matter. Reinstatement proceedings are governed by Alaska Bar Rule 29(c). Before seeking reinstatement Crittenden must make full restitution of any amounts owed to the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection, the Alaska Bar Association, and former clients for any fee arbitration awards that remain unpaid or that are ordered to be paid. Before seeking reinstatement he must also certify to Bar Counsel that he has earned at least 15 credit hours of continuing legal education in the areas of ethics, law office management, and management of law office accounts.

Clerk of the Appellate Courts

/s/ *M. Montgomery*

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² *In re Brown*, 392 P.3d 474 (Alaska 2017).