

Notice of Petition for Reinstatement

Pursuant to Virginia Supreme Court Rules Part Six, § IV, ¶13(D), M. T. Kissinger, Jr. has petitioned the Virginia Supreme Court for reinstatement of his license to practice law. The hearing will be held Friday, January 25, 2002, at 9:00 A.M., in the State Corporation Commission, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, 2nd Floor, Courtroom B, Richmond, Virginia 23219. After hearing evidence and oral arguments, the board will make factual findings and recommend to the Virginia Supreme Court whether the petition should be accepted or denied. The board seeks information about the fitness of the petitioner to practice law. Written comments or requests to be heard at the hearing may be submitted to Barbara S. Lanier, Clerk of the Disciplinary System, 707 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, by Wednesday, January 16, 2002.

M. T. Kissinger, Jr.

Address: 9610 Sherwood Place, Apartment 31,
Norfolk, Virginia 23503
License Date: February 15, 1963
Revocation Date: August 23, 1976

On August 13, 1976, Theodore Kissinger, Jr. surrendered his license with charges of misconduct pending. When he surrendered, Mr. Kissinger was facing misconduct charges arising from two felony convictions in the Circuit Court for the City of Norfolk in June 1976.

On December 24, 1997, Mr. Kissinger filed a petition for reinstatement. In December 1998, the board recommended denial of the petition. Most notably of concern to the board was Mr. Kissinger's inability to show by clear and convincing evidence, a current proficiency in the law. After a 22 year absence, the board noted

Mr. Kissinger had only taken twelve Continuing Legal Education credit hours. On October 1, 1999, the Virginia Supreme Court accepted the board's recommendation and denied Mr. Kissinger's petition for reinstatement.

In this second petition for reinstatement, Mr. Kissinger has indicated that he has cured the defects upon which his previous petition was denied. He advised that within the last five years, he has successfully completed the Multi-State Professional Responsibility Examination, as well as at least 60 hours of continuing legal education courses, ten of which were in the area of legal ethics. Mr. Kissinger contends that he is rehabilitated and is a person of honest demeanor and high moral character who is now, and has for many years lived a law-abiding and exemplary life.



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The Honorable Roger L. Gregory, US Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

Topics to include:

- nuts & bolts of crisis management for the bar leader—what to do if?
- emerging trends in the judiciary
- ethics CLE—Virginia Supreme Court Justice Cynthia Kinser (in Abingdon)

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