

VIRGINIA:

Before the Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board

In the Matter of

*William Peter Wittig
Attorney at Law*

VSB Docket No. 17-041-106873

On May 24, 2017, came William Peter Wittig and presented to the Board an Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation of his license to practice law in the courts of this Commonwealth. By tendering his Consent to Revocation at a time when allegations of Misconduct are pending, the nature of which are specifically set forth in the attached affidavit, Respondent acknowledges that that the material facts upon which the allegations of Misconduct are pending are true.

The Board having considered the said Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation, and Bar Counsel having no objection, the Board accepts his Consent to Revocation. Accordingly, it is ordered that the license to practice law in the courts of this Commonwealth heretofore issued to the said William Peter Wittig be and the same hereby is revoked, and that the name of the said William Peter Wittig be stricken from the Roll of Attorneys of this Commonwealth.

Entered this 25th day of May, 2017

Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board

William H. Atwill

By _____
*William H. Atwill, Jr.
Chair*

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IN THE MATTER OF
WILLIAM PETER WITTIG

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AFFIDAVIT DECLARING CONSENT TO REVOCATION

William Peter Wittig, after being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. That William Peter Wittig was licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia on September 4, 2003;
2. That William Peter Wittig submits this Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation pursuant to Rule of Court, Part 6, Section IV, Paragraph 13-28.
3. That William Peter Wittig's consent to revocation is freely and voluntarily rendered, that William Peter Wittig is not being subjected to coercion or duress, and that William Peter Wittig is fully aware of the implications of consenting to the revocation of his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
4. William Peter Wittig is aware that there is currently pending a complaint, and an investigation into allegations of misconduct, the docket number for which is set forth above, and the specific nature of which is here set forth:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

- a. On August 20, 2008, Respondent qualified as the Executor of the Estate of Mabel Kay Leiter ("The Estate").
- b. On August 14, 2016, Heidi Lynn Pike, a beneficiary of the Estate, filed a bar complaint against Respondent, alleging that the Final Accounting for the

Estate was never filed, and that, since August 20, 2008, Respondent failed to communicate with her and provide her with copies of accountings.

- c. On December 8, 2016, a Rule to Show Cause was entered in Prince William County Circuit Court ordering the Respondent to appear on April 7, 2017. Respondent failed to appear.
- d. Respondent has never submitted a final accounting in the Mabel Kay Leiter Estate.
- e. Respondent failed to communicate with the complainant regarding the status of the estate, and failed to provide her with copies of accountings.
- f. Respondent does not possess the legal knowledge or skill to fulfill his duties as Executor.
- g. Respondent has been suspended from practice for failure to pay dues and comply with MCLE requirements since October 14, 2015.
- h. Respondent has been suspended from practice for failure to comply with a subpoena since November 15, 2016.
- i. Respondent did not inform the Commissioner of Accounts or Complainant of his suspensions.

II. NATURE OF MISCONDUCT

Such conduct by William Peter Wittig constitutes misconduct in violation of the following provisions of the Rules of Professional Conduct:

RULE 1.1 Competence

A lawyer shall provide competent representation to a client. Competent representation requires the legal knowledge, skill, thoroughness and preparation reasonably necessary for the representation.

RULE 1.3 Diligence

- (a) A lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client.

RULE 1.4 Communication

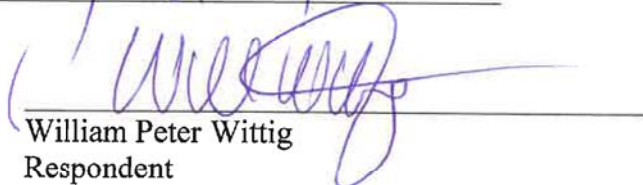
(a) A lawyer shall keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and promptly comply with reasonable requests for information.

(b) A lawyer shall explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation.

5. William Peter Wittig acknowledges that the material facts upon which the allegations of misconduct are predicated are true; and

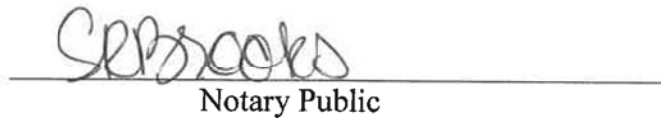
6. William Peter Wittig submits this Affidavit and consents to the revocation of his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia because he knows that if the disciplinary proceedings based on the said alleged misconduct were brought or prosecuted to a conclusion, he could not successfully defend them.

Executed and dated on May 22, 2017.


William Peter Wittig
Respondent

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
CITY/COUNTY OF Arlington, to wit:

The foregoing Affidavit Declaring Consent to Revocation was subscribed and sworn to before me by William Peter Wittig on May 22, 2017.


Notary Public

My Commission expires: Jan. 31, 2021.

