

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF
KEVIN T. STRONG, ESQ., BAR NO.
11880.

No. 61648

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ORDER DECLINING TO IMPOSE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

This is a petition by bar counsel pursuant to SCR 111(4) concerning attorney Kevin T. Strong, based on Strong's conviction in the Las Vegas Township Justice Court, pursuant to a nolo contendere plea, of reckless driving, a misdemeanor.¹ Strong informed bar counsel of his conviction. See SCR 111(2). Because Strong's conviction is not one of those specifically enumerated in SCR 111(6)-(8) as a "serious" crime requiring suspension and automatic referral to the disciplinary board, temporary suspension and referral to the disciplinary board are discretionary with this court. SCR 111(9).

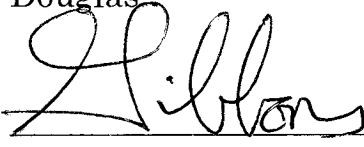
The gravity of drinking and driving cannot be minimized; however, first-offense driving under the influence is not the type of offense for which professional discipline is typically imposed. 1 Geoffrey C. Hazard, Jr. & W. William Hodes, The Law of Lawyering § 65.4 (3d ed. Supp. 2009); In the Matter of Respondent I, 2 Cal. State Bar Ct. Rptr. 260, 266 n.6, 272 (Rev. Dept. 1993).

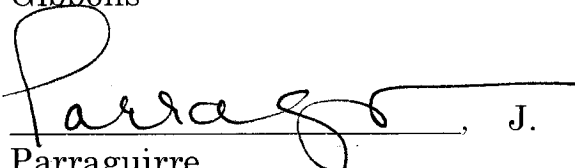
¹The original charge of misdemeanor driving under the influence was dismissed pursuant to Strong's plea.

Accordingly, having considered the petition and the supporting documentation, we conclude that Strong's offense does not warrant the imposition of a temporary suspension or referral to the disciplinary board at this time.

It is so ORDERED.

, J.
Douglas

, J.
Gibbons

, J.
Parraguirre

cc: State Bar of Nevada/Las Vegas
Kevin T. Strong