

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINE OF
RAMON DY-RAGOS, ESQ, BAR NO.
10343

No. 62094

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TRACIE J. LINDEMAN
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ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION AND
REFERRAL TO DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Bar counsel for the State Bar of Nevada has filed a petition pursuant to the reporting requirements of SCR 111 regarding attorney Ramon Dy-Ragos. The petition is supported by documents indicating that on June 13, 2012, Dy-Ragos pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit disorderly conduct, a gross misdemeanor under NRS 269.215 and 199.480.¹ Dy-Ragos was given a suspended sentence and placed on probation for an indeterminate period of time not to exceed two years. He informed bar counsel of the conviction as required by SCR 111(2).

Pursuant to SCR 111, temporary suspension and referral to the appropriate disciplinary board are mandatory when an attorney has been convicted of a "serious" crime. See SCR 111(6)-(8). A "serious" crime includes a felony and "any crime less than a felony a necessary element of

¹For purposes of SCR 111, Dy-Ragos's guilty plea qualifies as a "conviction" regardless of whether he has received a signed judgment of conviction. See SCR 111(1).

which is . . . misrepresentation, fraud, . . . or a conspiracy or solicitation of another to commit a 'serious crime.'" SCR 111(6).

Dy-Ragos was convicted of one gross misdemeanor count of conspiracy to commit disorderly conduct in violation of NRS 269.215 (authority to prevent, punish, and restrain any disorderly conduct) and NRS 199.480 (conspiracy to commit disorderly conduct) as he and two other individuals promoted a foreclosure defense firm where they misrepresented to the public their ability to prevent individual home foreclosures, required large up-front fees, and performed little or no work in connection with the services promised. Under NRS 199.480(d) and (g), a person is guilty of gross misdemeanor conspiracy when that person conspires with at least one other individual to "cheat or defraud another out of any property by unlawful or fraudulent means," or "accomplish any criminal or unlawful purpose, or to accomplish a purpose, not in itself criminal or unlawful, by criminal or unlawful means."

Having reviewed the petition and supporting documentation submitted by bar counsel, we conclude that Dy-Ragos falsely promoted his company, misrepresented services to his clients, and conspired with two other individuals in the commission of this misconduct. This constitutes a serious crime as defined under SCR 111(6).

Accordingly, we temporarily suspend Dy-Ragos from the practice of law in Nevada and refer this matter to the Southern Nevada

Disciplinary Board for the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of the discipline to be imposed. See SCR 111(7), (8).

It is so ORDERED.

Pickering, C.J.
Pickering

Gibbons, J.
Gibbons

Hardesty, J.
Hardesty

Parraguirre, J.
Parraguirre

Douglas, J.
Douglas

Cherry, J.
Cherry

Saitta, J.
Saitta

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