

**IN RE: J. DANIEL LINDLEY****NO. BD-2010-059****S.J.C. Judgment of Disbarment entered by Justice Cordy on January 10, 2013.¹****SUMMARY²**

The respondent, J. Daniel Lindley, was admitted to the bar of the Commonwealth on June 14, 1990. On June 2, 2010, he was found guilty after trial by jury in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts of one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud in violation of 18 U. S. C. § 371, thirty counts of wire fraud in violation of 18 U. S. C. § 1343, and fifteen counts of unlawful monetary transaction in violation of 18 U. S. C. § 1957. Following the verdict, the respondent was temporarily suspended from the practice of law on June 25, 2010.

On November 10, 2010, the respondent was sentenced to sixty months' imprisonment on the conspiracy charge and to concurrent terms of seventy-two months on the remaining charges. He was also sentenced to three years of supervised release.

Bar counsel filed a petition for discipline on November 16, 2010. The matter was stayed at the respondent's request pending the outcome of his appeal. On September 19, 2012, the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit affirmed the convictions in *United States v. Appolon*, 695 F.3d 44 (1st Cir. 2012).

On October 17, 2012, the respondent submitted an affidavit of resignation pursuant to S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 15, in which he acknowledged that he had been convicted of the crimes alleged in the petition for discipline and admitted that the conduct violated Mass. R. Prof. C. 1.2(d), 1.4, 1.7(a), 1.15(c) and (d), and 8.4(b), (c), and (h). Bar counsel recommended that the affidavit be accepted and a judgment of disbarment enter effective retroactively to June 25, 2010.

On November 19, 2012, the Board of Bar Overseers voted to recommend accepting the affidavit of resignation and entering a judgment of disbarment effective as of June 25, 2010. The record of proceedings was forwarded to the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County. On January 10, 2013, the county court (Cordy, J.) entered a judgment of disbarment retroactive to June 25, 2010, and accepted the affidavit of resignation.

¹ The complete Order of the Court is available by contacting the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.

² Compiled by the Board of Bar Overseers based on the record filed with the Supreme Judicial Court.