

**IN RE: DANE C. DOWELL, III****NO. BD-2012-114****S.J.C. Judgment Accepting Affidavit of Resignation As A Disciplinary Sanction entered by Justice Cordy on June 17, 2013.¹****SUMMARY²**

This matter came before the Supreme Judicial Court on the respondent's affidavit of resignation pursuant to S.J.C. Rule 4:01, § 15.

Beginning in April of 2012 and ending in January of 2013, the respondent represented a client in a civil matter pending in Maryland state court. Throughout this time period, he was not a member in good standing of the Massachusetts Bar due to his administrative suspension on March 26, 2012 and his subsequent term suspension on December 12, 2012. In order to represent the client, the respondent applied for and was granted *pro hac vice* admission in Maryland state court based on his false representation of good standing with the Massachusetts bar. He was paid fees totaling \$16,500 to represent the client in the Maryland case; however, he performed little work of substance for the client and repeatedly failed to reply to her requests for information. The respondent failed to return the unearned portion of his fee to the client.

On June 3, 2013, the Board of Bar Overseers voted to recommend that the affidavit of resignation be accepted as a disciplinary sanction.

On June 17, 2013, the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County accepted the respondent's affidavit of resignation as a disciplinary sanction.

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.