

NORTH CAROLINA

WAKE COUNTY



BEFORE THE
DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR
20 DHC 1

In re: JOHN V. IVSAN,
Attorney at Law

ORDER
OF
INTERIM SUSPENSION

THIS CAUSE came before the undersigned Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission pursuant to 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0119(b) of the N.C. State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules on Plaintiff's Petition for an order of interim suspension of the license to practice law in North Carolina of Defendant, John V. Ivsan, based upon his conviction of criminal offenses in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania showing professional unfitness. Based upon the Petition and the certified copy of the judgment in Defendant's criminal case, the undersigned hereby makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Ivsan was licensed to practice law in North Carolina on November 30, 2001 and is and was at all times referred to herein, an attorney at law, subject to the rules, regulations and Rules of Professional Conduct of the North Carolina State Bar and the laws of North Carolina. Ivsan has been on inactive status since 2009.
2. The current address of record for Ivsan with the North Carolina State Bar is Southpac Group Switzerland GMBH, Bungertstrass 25, CH-8802 Kilchberg, Switzerland. According to online records of the Federal Correctional Institute Allenwood LOW, White Deer, Pennsylvania 17887 ("FCI"), Ivsan is currently an inmate at the FCI with an anticipated release date of March 11, 2021.
3. Ivsan pleaded guilty of one count of conspiracy to defraud a United States agency, the Internal Revenue Service, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, and one count of tax evasion in violation of 26 U.S.C. § 7201 in *United States of America v. John Ivsan*, 12 CR 444 (ED PA). On June 6, 2017, judgment was entered on Ivsan's convictions.
4. The crimes for which Ivsan was convicted are felonies and serious offenses showing professional unfitness under 27 N.C.A.C. 1B § .0103(17) of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b).
5. 27 N.C.A.C. 1B .0119(b) of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules authorizes the Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission to enter an order suspending an attorney's license upon receipt of a certified copy of a judgment of conviction for a serious crime showing professional unfitness to practice law.

6. On January 7, 2020, Plaintiff filed and served its Petition for Order of Interim Suspension. Defendant did not file a response to the Petition within the time set forth in 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0119(b)(2) of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, the undersigned makes the following:

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW


1. The crimes for which Ivsan was convicted are serious offenses showing professional unfitness under 27 N.C.A.C. 1B § .0103(17) of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b).
2. The undersigned Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission is in receipt of a certified copy of a judgment of conviction establishing that Ivsan has been convicted of criminal offenses showing professional unfitness. Pursuant to 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0119(b) of the State Bar Discipline & Disbarment Rules, an order of interim suspension is appropriate.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the undersigned Chair of the Disciplinary Hearing Commission enters the following:

ORDER

1. The license to practice law in the State of North Carolina of Defendant, John V. Ivsan, is hereby **SUSPENDED** pending the disposition of all disciplinary proceedings against Ivsan related to his conviction of criminal offenses in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania showing professional unfitness.
2. Ivsan shall comply with all requirements of 27 N.C.A.C. 1B §.0128 of the State Bar Discipline & Disability Rules.

This the 22 day of January, 2020.


Donald C. Prentiss, Chair
Disciplinary Hearing Commission