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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS

No. 25-BG-0766

IN RE CLYDE C. CRANE, IV, RESPONDENT.

A Member of the Bar of the
District of Columbia Court of Appeals
(Bar Registration No. 1003053)

On Report and Recommendation of the Board on
Professional Responsibility Ad Hoc Hearing Committee
Approving Petition for Negotiated Discipline
(BDN: 24-ND-009; DDN: 2022-D213)

(Decided December 31, 2025)

Before BECKWITH and SHANKER, *Associate Judges*, and GLICKMAN, *Senior Judge*.

PER CURIAM: This decision is nonprecedential. Please refer to D.C. Bar R. XI, § 12.1(d), governing the appropriate citation of this opinion.

In this disciplinary matter, the Hearing Committee recommends approval of the parties' petition for negotiated attorney discipline. Respondent Clyde C. Crane, IV, acknowledged that he failed to comply with certain terms of his Virginia divorce decree and the ensuing disciplinary investigation thereof, including failing to respond to information requests from the Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) and

failing to comply with an order of the Board on Professional Responsibility. As a result, respondent admits that he violated Va. R. Pro. Conduct 3.4(d), D.C. R. Pro. Conduct 8.1(b) and 8.4(d), and D.C. Bar R. XI, § 2(b)(3). The proposed discipline consists of a thirty-day suspension, stayed in favor of one year of unsupervised probation with conditions.

Having reviewed the Committee's recommendation in accordance with our procedures in these cases, *see* D.C. Bar R. XI, § 12.1(d), we agree that this case is appropriate for negotiated discipline and "the agreed-upon sanction is justified," *In re Mensah*, 262 A.3d 1100, 1104 (D.C. 2021) (per curiam) (internal quotation marks omitted), in light of reasonably analogous precedents. *See, e.g., In re Lea*, 969 A.2d 881 (D.C. 2009); *In re Wemhoff*, 142 A.3d 573 (D.C. 2016) (per curiam). Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that respondent Clyde C. Crane, IV, is hereby suspended from the practice of law in the District of Columbia for thirty days, stayed in favor of one year of unsupervised probation, with the following conditions:

- (i) Respondent shall update his contact information with D.C. Bar Member Services to include a current email address that he checks regularly and a phone number at which he can be reliably reached. These updates

shall be made no later than thirty days after the date of this opinion, and respondent shall provide proof of the updates to ODC.

- (ii) Respondent shall comply with the terms of the Spousal Support Modification Order issued in his divorce case on July 22, 2021, by the Circuit Court for the County of Fairfax, Virginia. During the probationary period, respondent shall send proof of compliance to ODC by no later than the fifth day of each month.

If respondent does not comply with the terms of his probation, then ODC may seek to revoke his probation, and, if he is found to have violated his probation, then he may be required to serve the stayed thirty-day suspension, consecutively to any other discipline or suspension that may be imposed in the event of a finding that respondent has engaged in further ethical misconduct.

Additionally, we direct respondent's attention to D.C. Bar R. XI, § 14(g), which requires the filing of an affidavit with this court for purposes of reinstatement in accordance with D.C. Bar R. XI, § 16, and Bd. Pro. Resp. R. 9.

So ordered.