

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

PR 17-0150

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ORDER

Ed Smith
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF ANDREW M. SMALL,

An Attorney at Law, Respondent,

Andrew M. Small is an attorney licensed in the state of Montana. In December of 2016, the Supreme Court of Minnesota imposed attorney discipline upon Small for engaging in the practice of law while not licensed in that state. The Office of Disciplinary Counsel has asked this Court to impose reciprocal discipline of Small in Montana pursuant to Rule 27 of the Montana Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement (MRLDE). Through his counsel, Small has filed a response to the petition for reciprocal discipline, indicating that he is making no claim that reciprocal discipline should not be imposed in Montana.

The discipline imposed upon Small in Minnesota was a public reprimand. While public reprimand is not listed among the forms of discipline authorized for Montana attorneys under MRLDE 9, MRLDE 27 provides that, absent a claim to the contrary by the attorney, "the identical form of discipline" will be imposed in reciprocal discipline matters.

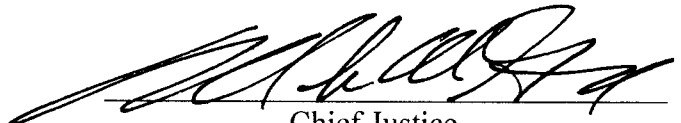
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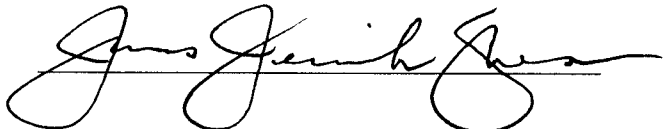
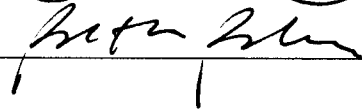
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Montana attorney Andrew M. Small is publicly reprimanded.

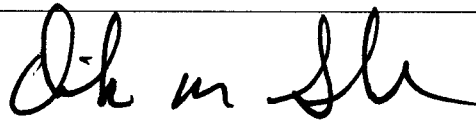
The Clerk of this Court is directed to provide copies of this Order to Andrew M. Small, Disciplinary Counsel, the Office Administrator for the Commission on Practice, the

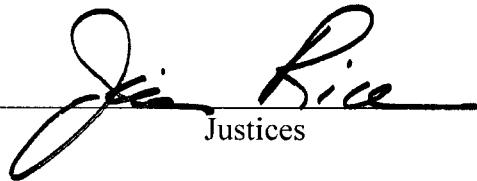
Clerks of all the District Courts of the state of Montana, each district court judge in the state of Montana, the Clerk of the Federal District Court for the District of Montana, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Ninth Circuit, and the Executive Director of the State Bar of Montana.

Dated this 9th day of May, 2017.


Chief Justice




Justices