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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on the 25th of January, 2017, the following order was made and entered:

Lawyer Disciplinary Board,
Petitioner

vs.) No. 16-0134

Athanasios Basdekis, a member of
The West Virginia State Bar,
Respondent

ORDER

On November 28, 2016, the Hearing Panel Subcommittee of the Lawyer Disciplinary Board, by Kelly D. Ambrose, its chairperson, pursuant to Rule 3.20 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure, presented to the Court its report containing its written recommended disposition in this reciprocal disciplinary action, recommending that this Court adopt the joint stipulations and joint recommendation entered into by the parties. The Hearing Panel Subcommittee recommends that the respondent's license to practice law be suspended for a period of four months, execution of which be suspended in favor of an eighteen-month period of supervised probation subject to the conditions set forth in the joint recommendation.

Thereafter, on December 16, 2016, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, by Andrea J. Hinerman, Senior Lawyer Disciplinary Counsel, filed its consent to the Hearing Panel Subcommittee's recommendation.

Upon consideration, the Court is of the opinion to and does hereby concur with and does approve the recommended disposition of the Hearing Panel Subcommittee of

the Lawyer Disciplinary Board. It is therefore ordered that the respondent's license to practice law in the State of West Virginia shall be suspended for a period of four months, execution of which is hereby suspended in favor of an eighteen-month period of supervised probation subject to the conditions set forth in the report and recommendation of the Hearing Panel Subcommittee. It is finally ordered that the respondent shall pay the costs of this proceeding pursuant to Rule 3.15 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure.

Service of an attested copy of this order shall constitute sufficient notice of its contents.

A True Copy

Attest: //s// Rory L. Perry II
Clerk of Court

