

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

~~At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County on the 15th day of July, 1986, the following order was made and entered, to-wit:~~

The Committee on Legal Ethics of the
West Virginia State Bar, Complainant

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17283 vs.

James A. Esposito, a member of the
West Virginia State Bar, Respondent

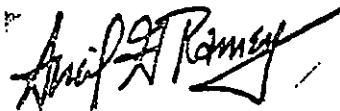
On a former day, to-wit, July 14, 1986, there was received in the office of the Clerk of this Court a letter dated July 9, 1986, submitted pursuant to Section 25, Part E, Article VI of the By-Laws of The West Virginia State Bar, by and on behalf of the Committee on Legal Ethics of the West Virginia State Bar, stating that James A. Esposito, a member of the West Virginia State Bar, was heretofore convicted, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, of violating Title 18, United States Code, Sections 846, 1955, and 1952(a)(3), and sentenced to twenty (20) years imprisonment and fined FIVE THOUSAND Dollars (\$5000.00). Accompanying the letter were certified copies of the indictment, order reflecting the jury verdict, judgment and commitment order, verdict form, special verdict form, notice of appeal, and order authorizing the district fourteen state bar grievance committee to audit the files of James A. Esposito in Criminal Action No. 85-0076-K-04, United States of America vs. James A. Esposito, in the United States District Court, Northern District of West Virginia; and moving the Court for an order immediately suspending the license of James A. Esposito to practice law in the State of West Virginia during pendency of appeal from his convictions.

And the Court, being of the opinion to grant said motion, it is considered and ordered that the license of James A. Esposito to practice law in the State of West Virginia, be, and the same is hereby, suspended pending appeal from his convictions in the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia.

It is further ordered that an attested copy of this order be transmitted to the Executive Director of the West Virginia State Bar and to James A. Esposito.

A True Copy

Attest:



Clerk Supreme Court of Appeals