

RESEARCH TIPS FOR ONLINE KEYWORD SEARCHES

This index was designed to users in researching Board opinions. All of the Board's recent opinions can be found on the Supreme Court's Website at:

<http://www.pacourts.us/Opinions/DisciplinaryOpinions/DboardOpinions.htm>

On the initial screen there is a choice of search modes; Board docket number, Supreme Court docket number, date or index. If you choose index, you may search using terms and phrases. Listed below are topics and common search terms to enable faster access to relevant cases. This is not an exhaustive list, but covers the basic concepts found in the opinions. General terms, such as suspension, disbarment, public censure, public reprimand, private reprimand, and informal admonition, can always be used to get the broadest variety of cases. The following keywords which may be useful in an index search:

CLIENT NEGLECT

Competent Representation
Diligence
Failure to Communicate
Failure to keep client informed
Failure to return files
Misrepresentation
Neglect
Prompt Distribution
Unearned Fees

BRAUN

Addiction
ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)
Alcohol
Bipolar Disorder
Causal Connection
Cocaine
Depressive Disorder
Expert Witness
Fitness
Practice Monitor
Probation
Psychological Problems
Unfit to Practice

CLIENT FUNDS

Commingling
Conversion
Converted Trust Funds
Dishonest Conduct
Inadequate Record Keeping
Misappropriation
Mismanagement of Client Funds
Self-Dealing

REINSTATEMENT

Competence
Disbarment
Forever Barred from Practice
Keller
Learning
Moral Qualifications
Rehabilitation
Suspension

UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

Failed to Remove Nameplate
Inactive Status
Letterhead
Non-Lawyer Entity
Practice in Federal Court
Sharing Legal Fees

MITIGATING FACTORS

Admission of Wrongdoing
Braun
Causal Connection
Character Witnesses
Community Activities
Cooperation
Prior Discipline
Isolated Incident
Prior Discipline
Remorse
Reputation
Restitution

AGGRAVATING FACTORS

Abandoned Law Practice
Cavalier Attitude
Cooperation
Failure to Appear
Lack of Candor
Lack of Remorse
Misrepresentation to Hearing Committee
Prior Arrests
Prior Discipline

MISCELLANEOUS

Bar Application
Contempt
Court Orders
Fee Dispute
Intentional Prevarication
Law Firm
Striking Opposing Counsel
Support

CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Accessory After the Fact
Aiding and Abetting
Bribery
Conspiracy
Conviction
Corrupting Morals of Minor
DUI
Failure to File Tax Returns
False Reports
False Statements
Forgery
Fraud
Harassment
Homicide by Vehicle
Income Tax
Indecent Assault
Leaving Scene of an Accident
Mail Fraud
Misprision of Felony
Money Laundering
Mutilation of Government Records
Passport Fraud
Pension Fund Fraud
Possession with Intent to Deliver
Racketeering
Recklessly Endangering
Retail Theft
Simple Assault
Tax Evasion
Theft
Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle