



The
DISCIPLINARY BOARD
of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**RESEARCH TIPS
FOR ONLINE KEYWORD SEARCHES**

These tips are designed to assist users in researching Disciplinary Board opinions. All of the Board's recent opinions can be found on the Supreme Court's Website at:

www.pacourts.us/courts/supreme-court/committees/supreme-court-boards/disciplinary-board-opinions/

On the initial screen there is a choice of search modes: Board docket number, Supreme Court docket number, keywords, and/or date. If you choose to search by keyword, 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 may be useful in such a search:

AGGRAVATING FACTORS

Abandoned Law Practice
Cavalier Attitude
Cooperation
District Attorney
Failure to Accept Responsibility
Failure to Appear
Judge
Judgments and Liens
Lack of Candor
Lack of Remorse
Misrepresentation to Hearing Committee
Prior Arrests
Prior Discipline
Prosecutor
Public Official

BRAUN

Addiction
ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)
Alcohol
Bipolar Disorder
Causal Connection
Cocaine
Depressive Disorder
Disability-General
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
Recordkeeping
Self-Dealing
Unearned Fees

CLIENT NEGLECT

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

CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Accessory After the Fact
Aiding and Abetting
Bribery
Child Pornography
Conspiracy
Contempt
Convictions
Corrupting Morals of Minor
Disorderly Conduct
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
Pornography
Possession with Intent to Deliver
Racketeering
Recklessly Endangering
Retail Theft
Tax Evasion
Theft
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle
Wire Fraud

DISCIPLINE

Concurrent
Consecutive
Deterrence
Retroactive

MISCELLANEOUS

Bankruptcy
Bar Application
Collateral Estoppel
Communication
Confidentiality
Conflict of Interest
Contempt
Court Orders
Disgorge Fee
Ex Parte
Fee Agreement
Fee Dispute
Intentional Prevarication
Law Firm
Stayed
Striking Opposing Counsel
Support
Written Agreement

MITIGATING FACTORS

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

REINSTATEMENT

Burden
Community Service
Competence
Disbarment
Expert Opinion
False Testimony
Financial Problems
Fitness to Practice
Forever Barred From Practice
In-House Corporate Counsel
Judgments and Liens
Keller
Learning
Moral Qualifications
Omissions
Rehabilitation
Suspension

UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW

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

Disciplinary Board Opinions

Search Opinions and Postings from Appellate Courts

The following search can be used to find specific text content within the posted opinions.

COURT TYPE

Disciplinary Board ▼

SEARCH OPINIONS CONTENT



OR

Filter Court Postings from Appellate Courts and the Disciplinary Board

The following search can be used to find specific opinions and postings based on search criteria you select below.

COURT TYPE

Disciplinary Board ▼

COURT DOCKET NUMBER

BOARD DOCKET NUMBER

KEYWORDS

DATE RANGE



MONTH

All Months ▼

YEAR

Select Year ▼

SEARCH

CLEAR

** Keywords can only be searched one at a time. Using a partial keyword (e.g. "Responsibility" instead of "Acceptance of Responsibility") will return ALL matters which include that word.*