



**BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT
PANEL D**

IN RE: Iris L. Muke, Respondent Attorney
 Arkansas Bar No. 2003119
 Case No. CPC-2023-029

FINDINGS AND ORDER

The formal charges of misconduct upon which this Findings and Order is based arose from information provided to the Committee by Elaine Troglin. The information related to the representation of Ms. Troglin by Respondent in what Ms. Troglin hoped would result in the expungement of her felony convictions.

On October 25, 2023, at approximately 8:39am, Respondent was served with a formal complaint, supported by affidavits from Ms. Troglin and Johnson County Deputy Circuit Clerk Nakeshia Bramlett. Respondent failed to file a response to the complaint, and such failure to timely respond, pursuant to Section 9.C(4) of the Procedures, constitutes an admission of the factual allegations of the formal complaint and extinguishes Respondent's right to a public hearing.

Upon consideration of the formal complaint and attached exhibit materials, other matters before it, and the Arkansas Rules of Professional Conduct, Panel D of the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct finds:

A. The conduct of Iris Muke, as set forth in the attached Exhibits, violated Rule 1.3,
to wit:

Muke was retained by Troglin to file a Petition for Expungement and proposed Order of Expungement on July 28, 2021. Over two (2) years later, Muke continues to neglect to file the expungement and has taken no significant steps to expunge Troglin's conviction.

Arkansas Rule 1.3 requires that a lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client.

B. The conduct of Iris Muke, as set forth in the attached Exhibits, violated Rule 8.4(d), to wit:

Muke, when asked for an update, provided obviously untrue information to her client, Troglin, when she stated that she had filed a Petition for Expungement on Troglin's behalf and was only waiting on a signature from the presiding judge. No such petition was ever filed on Troglin's behalf, as confirmed by the Johnson County Circuit Clerk's Office. Muke deliberately lied to her client, Troglin, to conceal her own lack of diligence in this matter.

Arkansas Rule 8.4(d) provides that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice.

WHEREFORE, it is the decision and order of the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct, acting through its authorized Panel D, that Iris L. Muke, Arkansas Bar Number 2003119, be, and hereby is, **SUSPENDED FOR TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS** for her conduct in this matter.

The suspension shall become effective on the date this Findings and Order is filed of record with the Clerk of the Arkansas Supreme Court.

The costs assessed herein at \$150 shall be payable by cashier's check or money order payable to the "Clerk, Arkansas Supreme Court" delivered to the Office of Professional Conduct within thirty (30) days of the date this Findings and Order is filed of record with the Clerk of the Arkansas Supreme Court.

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By: 
Greg Crumpton, Chair, Panel D

Date: 2/19/2024