BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT PANELA

IN RE: BRUCE J. BENNETT Arkansas Bar ID #92140 CPC Docket No. 2011-062

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ORDER OF INTERIM SUSPENSION

Respondent BRUCE J. BENNETT, Arkansas Bar ID #92140, an attorney practicing law primarily in Bentonville, Arkansas, is the subject of a Findings and Order recently filed in this case after a ballot vote on November 18, 2011, in which he was unanimously found to have violated Model Rules 1.1, 1.2 (a) (2 counts), 1.4(a)(3), 1.4(b) (2 counts), 1.5(a) (2 counts), 1.7 (b) (2 counts), 1.15(a) (2 counts), 1.15(a)(1) (2 counts), 8.4(b), 8.4(c) (2 counts); and Arkansas Rules 1.4(a)(1), 1.4(a)(3), 1.4(b), 1.15(a)(1) (2 counts), 1.15(b)(1), 1.15(b)(3), 1.16(d) (2 counts), 3.3(a)(1) (2 counts), 3.3(a)(3), 8.4(b), and 8.4(c) (4 counts).

The Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct (Committee), by its Panel A, pursuant to the mandate of Section 16.A(1), Procedures of the Arkansas Supreme Court Regulating Professional Conduct of Attorneys at Law (the "Procedures") (Rev. 2011), voted to initiate disbarment proceedings against Respondent and further unanimously voted that an interim suspension of Respondent's privilege to practice law under the authority of his Arkansas law license be imposed pursuant to Sections 17.E(1) and 17.E(3)(a) of the Procedures.

It is therefore **ORDERED** that Respondent **BRUCE J. BENNETT**, be, and he hereby is, **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law within this jurisdiction immediately upon the filing of this Order with the Clerk of the Arkansas Supreme Court, and continuing during the pendency of disbarment proceedings to be filed against him.

ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON PROEESSIONAL CONDUCT / PANEL A By: 1 T. Benton Smith, Jr., Panel A Chair Date: December 1, 2011