ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

MISC. DOCKET NO. 17-9082

IN THE MATTER OF BRIAN EDWARD STORTS

The Court has reviewed the Motion for Acceptance of Resignation as Attorney and Counselor at Law in Lieu of Disciplinary Action of Brian Edward Storts (the Motion) and the Response of the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel for the Commission for Lawyer Discipline (the Response). The Court concludes each meets the requirements of Part X of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure. The Court finds that Brian Edward Storts has waived his right to withdraw the Motion. Therefore, the Court deems the professional misconduct detailed in the Response conclusively established for all purposes. The Court further concludes that Brian Edward Storts' resignation is in the best interest of the public, the profession and Brian Edward Storts.

Therefore, the law license of Brian Edward Storts of Houston, Texas, State Bar Card Number 00785066 is canceled. The Court notes that Brian Edward Storts has provided an affidavit stating that he has surrendered his Texas Law License, but that he cannot locate his Texas Bar Card. Brian Edward Storts shall immediately surrender his Texas Bar Card to the Clerk of this Court should he locate it in the future.

Brian Edward Storts is prohibited from practicing law in the State of Texas. He is prohibited from holding himself out as an attorney at law, performing legal services for others, giving legal advice to others, accepting any fee directly or indirectly for legal services, appearing as counsel or in any representative capacity in any proceeding in any Texas court or before any Texas administrative body (whether state, county, municipal, or other), or holding himself out to others or using his name in any manner in conjunction with the words "Attorney at Law," "Counselor at Law," or "Lawyer."

Additionally, Brian Edward Storts must immediately notify in writing each of his current clients and opposing counsel of his resignation. He must also return any files, papers, unearned monies and other property in his possession belonging to any client or former client to the respective client or former client or to another attorney at the client's or former client's request. Brian Edward Storts must file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, within thirty days of the date of this Order an affidavit stating that all current clients and opposing counsel have been notified of his resignation and that all files, papers, monies and other property belonging to all clients and former clients have been returned.

Finally, Brian Edward Storts must, within thirty days after the date of this Order, notify in writing each justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each court in which Brian Edward Storts has any matter pending of the terms of this Order, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address and telephone number of the client(s) Brian Edward Storts is representing in court. Brian Edward Storts must file with the Statewide Compliance Monitor, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711, within thirty days of the date of this Order an affidavit stating that he has notified in writing each justice of the peace, judge, magistrate, and chief justice of each court in which he has any matter pending of the terms of this Order, the style and cause number of the pending matter(s), and the name, address and telephone number of the client(s) he is representing in Court.

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CONDITIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT

As absolute conditions precedent for the reinstatement of Brian Edward Storts, he must pay the following: \$1,000.00 in attorneys' fees to the State Bar of Texas. The attorneys' fees payable to the State Bar of Texas are reimbursement for fees and expenses incurred by Commission for Lawyer Discipline in the matters made the basis of Brian Edward Storts' resignation.

All payments of restitution must be made by certified or cashier's check or money order and must be delivered to the Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, Texas 78711-2487 (1414 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas 78701).

SO ORDERED this 25th day of August, 2017.

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