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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE HAWAI‘I SUPREME COURT,
Petitioner,

vs.

JAMES M. RATCLIFFE (Bar No. 4291),
Respondent.

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING
(ODC Case No. 23-0065, 24-0355, DB No. 24-9008)

ORDER TO TRANSFER TO INACTIVE STATUS
(By: Recktenwald, C.J., McKenna, Eddins, Ginoza, and Devens, JJ.)

On December 4, 2024, the Disciplinary Board of the Hawai‘i Supreme Court filed a petition requesting to immediately transfer the Respondent James M. Ratcliffe to inactive status under Rule 2.19(b) and Rule 2.19(c) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Hawai‘i (RSCH). This petition was supported by the declaration of Respondent. Based on a review of the record, we conclude that transfer to inactive status is warranted. Therefore,



It is hereby ordered:

A. The Disciplinary Board's petition is granted.

Respondent James M. Ratcliffe is transferred to inactive status in this jurisdiction pursuant to RSCH Rules 2.19(b) and 2.19(c) effective with the filing of this order. Respondent shall remain on inactive status until further order of this court.

B. The Office of Disciplinary Counsel shall hold in abeyance any proceeding against Respondent to the extent required by RSCH Rule 2.19(h).

C. In accordance with RSCH Rule 2.19(d), the Disciplinary Board shall publish a notice of this transfer to inactive status.

D. The clerk of the court shall transmit a certified copy of this order to all judges of the State of Hawai'i.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, January 17, 2025.

/s/ Mark E. Recktenwald

/s/ Sabrina S. McKenna

/s/ Todd W. Eddins

/s/ Lisa M. Ginoza

/s/ Vladimir P. Devens

