

In the Matter of:)
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Tamara Renee Good,)
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) Proceeding No. D2016-19
Respondent)
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24, the exclusion of Tamara Renee Good (“Respondent”) is hereby ordered for violation of 37 C.F.R. § 11.804(h).

On November 6, 2015, the Court of Appeals of Maryland issued an order in *Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland v. Tamara Renee Good*, Misc. Docket AG No. 66, September Term, 2014 and Misc. Docket AG No. 8, September Term, 2015, and a December 21, 2015 Opinion supporting the November 6, 2015 Order, disbarring Respondent from the practice of law in Maryland on ethical grounds.

On April 11, 2016, the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO” or “Office”) attempted to serve on Respondent at the address in Towson, MD provided by Ms. Good to the Director of the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (“OED Director”), as well as a second address in Monkton, MD where the OED Director reasonably believes Ms. Good receives mail, by certified first-class mail (receipt nos. 70143490000038973552 and 70143490000038973569, respectively), a “Notice and Order Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24” (“Notice and Order”) notifying Respondent that the OED Director had filed a “Complaint for Reciprocal Discipline Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24”

("Complaint") requesting that the Director of the USPTO impose reciprocal discipline upon Respondent identical to the discipline imposed by the Court of Appeals of Maryland in *Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland v. Tamara Renee Good*, Misc. Docket AG No. 66, September Term, 2014 and Misc. Docket AG No. 8, September Term, 2015.

The Notice and Order sent to the Towson, MD and Monkton, MD addresses were unable to be delivered to Respondent by the United States Postal Service. Accordingly, on May 17, 2016 and May 24, 2016, the Respondent was served by publication of a notice in the *Official Gazette* for two consecutive weeks, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.35(b). This notice informed Respondent that she could obtain a copy of the Notice and Order, the Complaint, and an Order dated November 6, 2015, in *Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland v. Tamara Renee Good*, by sending a written request to the General Counsel of the USPTO.

The Notice and Order provided Respondent an opportunity to file, within forty (40) days, a response opposing the imposition of reciprocal discipline identical to that imposed by the Court of Appeals of Maryland, based on one or more of the reasons provided in 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d)(1). Respondent has not filed a response to the Notice and Order.

Analysis

In light of Respondent's failure to file a response, it is hereby determined that there is no genuine issue of material fact under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d), and exclusion of Respondent from the practice of patent, trademark and other non-patent law before the USPTO is the appropriate discipline.

ACCORDINGLY, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Respondent is excluded from the practice of patent, trademark and other non-patent law before the USPTO effective the date of this Final Order;

2. The OED Director publish the following Notice in the *Official Gazette*:

NOTICE OF EXCLUSION

This notice concerns Tamara Renee Good of Towson, Maryland, who is a registered patent attorney (Registration Number 59,644). In a reciprocal disciplinary proceeding, the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") has ordered that Ms. Good be excluded from practice before the USPTO in patent, trademark, and other non-patent matters for violating 37 C.F.R. § 11.804(h), predicated upon being disbarred from the practice of law by a duly constituted authority of a State.

By Order of the Maryland Court of Appeals on November 6, 2015, in *Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland v. Tamara Renee Good*, Misc. Docket AG No. 66, September Term, 2014 and Misc. Docket AG No. 8, September Term, 2015, Ms. Good was disbarred from the practice of law in Maryland for violating the Maryland Lawyer's Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1; 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a) and (b); 1.5(a); 1.15(a), (c) and (d); 1.16(d); 8.1(b); 8.4(a), (c) and (d); and § 10-306 of the Maryland Code, Business Occupations and Professions Article.

According to the December 21, 2015 Opinion issued following the November 6, 2015 Order, Ms. Good's disbarment arose out of six separate client complaints in which she was found to have failed to provide competent representation to her clients, failed to pursue her clients' objectives, failed to file required documents in several of her clients' ongoing court cases and therefore to act with reasonable diligence in representing her clients, failed to respond to clients' inquiries about the status of their cases, failed to return unearned fees to her clients, failed to provide safekeeping of client property, failed to protect her clients' interests when terminating representation, and failed to respond to a disciplinary authority.

This action is taken pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 32 and 37 C.F.R. § 11.24. Disciplinary decisions involving practitioners are posted for public reading at the Office of Enrollment and Discipline's FOIA Reading Room, available at: <http://e-foia.uspto.gov/Foia/OEDReadingRoom.jsp>.

3. The OED Director give notice pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.59 of the public discipline and the reasons for the discipline to disciplinary enforcement agencies in the state(s) where Respondent is admitted to practice, to courts where Respondent is known to be admitted, and to the public;

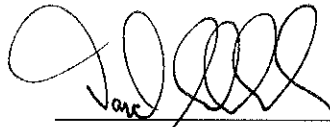
4. Respondent shall comply with the duties enumerated in 37 C.F.R. § 11.58;

5. The USPTO dissociate Respondent's name from any Customer Numbers and the public key infrastructure ("PKI") certificate associated with those Customer Numbers; and

6. Respondent shall not apply for a USPTO Customer Number, shall not obtain a USPTO Customer Number, nor shall she have her name added to a USPTO Customer Number, unless and until she is reinstated to practice before the USPTO.

11 July 2016

Date



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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual
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cc:

OED Director

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