

BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY JUDGE

IN THE MATTER OF A
SUSPENDED MEMBER OF THE
STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,

MOLLIE A. KESLER,
Bar No. 022526

Respondent.

No. PDJ-2017-9018

**ORDER OF INTERIM
SUSPENSION**

[State Bar No. 17-0455]

FILED MARCH 1, 2017

A Notice of Felony Conviction and certified copy of the conviction regarding Mollie A. Kesler, Bar No. 022526, was filed by the State Bar of Arizona on February 13, 2017, pursuant to Rule 61(c)(1)(A) Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.¹ That rule mandates:

A lawyer shall be suspended after the disciplinary clerk's receipt of proof of the lawyer's conviction of a felony under either state or federal law, regardless of the pendency of post-conviction motions or an appeal, unless within ten (10) days of the clerk's receipt of proof of the conviction the member files with the presiding disciplinary judge a verified motion showing good cause why the suspension should not be entered.

On April 4, 2016, Ms. Kesler was convicted of Aggravated Driving or Actual Physical Control While Under the Influence of Intoxicating Liquor or Drugs, Class 4 Felonies. She was sentenced on May 24, 2016 to three years of probation with

¹ Unless stated otherwise, all rule references are to the Ariz. R. Sup. Ct.

finances and counseling, and ordered incarcerated for four months in the Department of Corrections.

Absent the timely filing of “a verified motion showing good cause why the suspension should not be entered,” interim suspension “shall be” entered under Rule 61. No verified motion has been filed by Ms. Kesler and the time to file such motion has expired.

Now therefore,

IT IS ORDERED suspending **Mollie A. Kesler, Bar No. 022526** from the practice of law, effective immediately, on an interim basis pursuant to Rule 61(c)(1)(A).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED as provided in Rule 61(d), unless vacated or modified, such suspension shall continue in force until final disposition of all pending disciplinary proceedings against Ms. Kesler.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED under Rule 72(a) Ms. Kesler shall notify all clients of the terms of this order within ten (10) days and shall timely file with the Disciplinary Clerk and the Supreme Court, notice of compliance with this Order as provided by Rule 72(e).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED setting the underlying matter for a telephonic status review on **June 6, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.** This status review shall automatically be vacated without further order upon the filing by the State Bar of a complaint

regarding this matter or an agreement for discipline by consent. The State Bar is directed to expeditiously proceed with any related disciplinary investigation and proceeding.

DATED this 1st day of March, 2017.

William J. O'Neil

William J. O'Neil, Presiding Disciplinary Judge

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