

**BEFORE THE PRESIDING DISCIPLINARY
JUDGE**

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

VERNON E. PELTZ,
Bar No. 014244

Applicant.

No. PDJ-2016-9064

**ORDER OF INTERIM SUSPENSION
RE: FELONY CONVICTION**

State Bar No. 16-2057

FILED JULY 15, 2016

A Notice of Felony Conviction and certified copy of the conviction regarding Mr. Peltz was filed by the State Bar of Arizona on June 23, 2016, citing Rule 61(c)(1)(A) Ariz. R. Sup. Ct. That rule states as follows:

(c)(1) *Conviction of a crime.* Upon conviction of a lawyer of any crime, the clerk of the court in which the conviction is entered shall, within twenty (20) days thereafter, transmit to the disciplinary clerk and to the state bar a certified copy of the judgment of conviction, and the convicted lawyer shall, within twenty (20) days after entry of judgment of conviction of a misdemeanor involving a serious crime or of any felony, provide the following information to chief bar counsel: (a) name, bar number and address of record with the state bar, and a current address if different from the address of record; (b) the name of the court in which the judgment of conviction was entered; (c) the case or file number in which the judgment of conviction was entered; and (d) the date the judgment of conviction was entered.

A. *Felony conviction.* 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. The presiding disciplinary judge may permit the lawyer to present oral argument in support of the lawyer's motion and shall promptly grant or deny it. If the motion is denied, the lawyer shall be suspended as of the date the motion is denied. If the motion is granted, the lawyer shall not be suspended pending completion of a disciplinary proceeding based on such conviction.

Rule 61(c)(1)(A), provides the respondent an opportunity to rebut the required suspension upon a showing of good cause. Here no response has been received.

Now Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED Mr. Peltz is suspended effective immediately and until further order of this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED pursuant to Rule 72 Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., Mr. Peltz shall immediately comply with the requirements relating to notification of clients and others.

DATED this 15th day of July, 2016.

William J. O'Neil

William J. O'Neil, Presiding Disciplinary Judge

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