

**SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA**

IN THE MATTER OF A SUSPENDED MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,	)	
	)	Supreme Court
	)	No. SB-06-0067-RD
	)	
	)	Disciplinary Commission
	)	No. 05-4004
<b>WILLIAM J. HOUSER, JR.,</b>	)	
<b>Bar No. 016215</b>	)	
	)	
RESPONDENT.	)	<b>JUDGMENT AND ORDER</b>

This matter came before the Court for review of the Disciplinary Commission’s recommendation of reciprocal discipline pursuant to Rule 53(i)(3), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona. The California Supreme Court imposed a six (6) month stayed suspension on respondent. A stayed suspension is not available as a form of discipline in Arizona. We granted *sua sponte* review to impose a substantially similar discipline to the stayed suspension. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **WILLIAM J. HOUSER, JR.**, a suspended member of the State Bar of Arizona, is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of six (6) months, effective the date of this judgment and order, for conduct in violation of his duties and obligations as a lawyer, as disclosed in the Disciplinary Commission Report.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall comply with the requirements of Rule 65 in order to seek reinstatement to active practice. Any appropriate probationary terms will be determined at the time of reinstatement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall comply with all the provisions of Rule 72, Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, and that he should promptly inform this Court of his compliance with this judgment and order as provided in Rule 72(e).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall be assessed costs and expenses of the disciplinary proceedings as provided in Rule 60(b).

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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RUTH V. McGREGOR  
Chief Justice

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