

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA, ex rel.,)	
NEBRASKA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION,)	S-96-794.
)	
Petitioner,)	
)	ORDER
v.)	
)	
STEVEN B. GREEN,)	
)	
Respondent.)	



On August 13, 1996, pursuant to an application of representatives of the Nebraska State Bar Association, this court entered an order for attorney Steven B. Green to show cause within 14 days of the service upon him of said show cause order why his license to practice law in this State should not be temporarily suspended.

The record in this court reflects that the Nebraska State Bar Association's representatives have filed complaints against Green, charging him with agreeing to represent a client, receiving money to represent the client in a divorce proceeding and that Green failed to represent the client and failed to respond to inquiries by the Nebraska State Bar Association's counsel on discipline concerning the matter, thereby violating several provisions of the Nebraska Supreme Court Rules of Discipline, and the Attorney's Oath of Office and several provisions of the attorneys' Code of Professional Responsibility. The first complaint also charges Green with failing to pay a court reporter for court reporting services contracted by Green.

On July 23, 1996, an assistant counsel on discipline filed an additional complaint against Green charging him with agreeing to represent a second client in a divorce proceeding, receiving money

from the client, failing to communicate with the client and failing to refund to her the fees and expenses the client paid to Green. He was also charged with failing to deposit said funds in a separate trust account maintained for the purpose of holding client funds, all of which were violations of the Attorney's Oath of Office and various provisions of the attorneys' Code of Professional Responsibility.

In addition, the record reflects that Green has failed to timely respond to this court's order to show cause why he should not be temporarily suspended from the practice of law. This court's order required Green to show cause within 14 days of receiving the show cause order. The record reflects that this court's show cause order was personally served by the Douglas County's sheriff's office upon Green on August 27, 1996, in Douglas County, Nebraska. As of this date, the Respondent has failed to respond to the show cause order. The time has now expired for Green to show cause why he should not be temporarily suspended from the practice of law until further order of this Court.

Upon due consideration of the pleadings and files in this disciplinary proceeding, pursuant to Rule 12 of this Court's Disciplinary Rules, this Court finds that if Steven B. Green is allowed to continue the practice of law while this proceeding is pending, he will cause serious damage to the public and to members of the Nebraska State Bar Association.

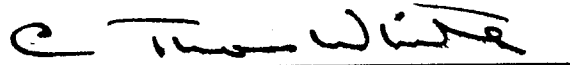
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Steven B. Green is suspended from the practice of law until further order of the court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Steven B. Green is ordered to forthwith comply with Rule 16 of the Disciplinary Rules of this court and upon his failure to do so, he shall be subject to punishment for contempt of this court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this temporary suspension order be personally served upon the Respondent by the Sheriff of Douglas County or one of his duly authorized process servers.

DATED this 18 day of September, 1996.

BY THE COURT


Chief Justice