

Argued: December 1, 2017

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

OF MARYLAND

Misc. Docket AG No. 113
September Term, 2016

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR
REINSTATEMENT OF VAUGHN MILES
MUNGIN TO THE BAR OF MARYLAND

Barbera, C.J.
Greene
Adkins
McDonald
Watts
Hotten
Getty,

JJ.

ORDER

Filed: December 5, 2017

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Upon consideration of the Petition for Reinstatement of Vaughn Miles Mungin to the Bar of Maryland filed on May 24, 2017; Bar Counsel's response filed on August 24, 2017; Bar Counsel's supplemental response filed on August 29, 2017; the Court of Appeals of Maryland's opinion issued on July 18, 2014, concluding that Petitioner had violated Maryland Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (Competence), 1.15(a) and 1.15(d) (Safekeeping Property), 8.4(d) (Conduct That is Prejudicial to the Administration of Justice), and 8.4(a) (Violating the MLRPC), Maryland Rule 16-609 (Prohibited Transactions), and Md. Code Ann., Bus. Occ. & Prof. § 10-306 (Trust Money Restrictions) and indefinitely suspending Petitioner from the practice of law in Maryland with the right to apply for reinstatement after six months; and oral argument on December 1, 2017,

WHEREAS, Petitioner has existing financial obligations, i.e., debt in form of amounts owed to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the State of Maryland, and the United States Department of Education totaling in excess of \$1 million;

WHEREAS, Petitioner has entered into payment plans with the IRS and the Comptroller of Maryland requiring monthly installment payments;

WHEREAS, Petitioner has an account with the United States Department of Education which is in default and has been placed with Coast Professional, Inc., a debt collection agency;

WHEREAS, as evidenced at oral argument, Petitioner has made only two payments of \$2,500 to the IRS on February 10, 2017 and May 16, 2017, respectively, and one payment of \$250 on May 18, 2017 to the United States Department of Education;

WHEREAS, Petitioner has advised the Court of Appeals of Maryland without further explanation that, with respect to employment, during the period of suspension, he considered various entrepreneurial activities;

WHEREAS, since the suspension on August 17, 2014, thirty (30) days after issuance of the Court of Appeals of Maryland's opinion, to the present, Petitioner has not sought and maintained consistent employment;

WHEREAS, the Court determines that Petitioner has not demonstrated the requisite character and competence to practice law for reinstatement;

it is this 5th day of December, 2017, ORDERED, by the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that the Petition for Reinstatement be, and it is hereby, DENIED.

/s/ Mary Ellen Barbera
Chief Judge