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5. During the probationary period, petitioner shall submit quarterly practice reports providing the status of all legal matters being handled for clients.

6. The failure to fulfill any of these conditions shall constitute a violation of probation.

The petition for reinstatement is granted. The costs of this proceeding are taxed against the petitioner. Judgment for costs is entered against William C. Smith in the amount of \$228.34, for which sum let execution issue.

It is so ordered.

McDONALD, C.J., and OVERTON, EHRLICH, SHAW, BARKETT and GRIMES, JJ., Concur

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE REHEARING MOTION AND, IF FILED, DETERMINED.

Original Proceeding - The Florida Bar

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