### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA (Before a Referee)

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Complainant,

v.

EDMUND A. ADAMO,

Respondent.

Supreme Court Case No. 68,248

The Florida Bar Case

No. 17E86F59

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REPORT OF REFEREE

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#### I. SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS:

The Florida Bar filed its Complaint against Respondent on January 30, 1986. The undersigned was duly appointed as Referee by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida by order dated February 21, 1986. Respondent has tendered a Consent Judgment for Disbarment in this cause. Upon due deliberation and being satisfied that the proposed discipline is appropriate, this Referee has determined to approve Respondent's Consent Judgment for Disbarment and recommend its ultimate acceptance by the Supreme Court of Florida.

The following appeared for the respective parties:

On Behalf of The Florida Bar: Richard B. Liss, Esq.

On Behalf of Respondent: Edmund A. Adamo, in proper person.

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT AS TO EACH ITEM OF MISCONDUCT OF WHICH RESPONDENT IS CHARGED:

- 1. On or about August 21, 1984, a two (2) count information was filed against Respondent charging him with violations of Florida criminal statutes.
- 2. On or about September 9, 1985, Respondent pled guilty to Count II of the Information, to wit: Tampering with Evidence.
- 3. On or about October 16, 1985, Respondent was adjudicated guilty of Tampering with Evidence, a felony of the third degree, in violation of Fla. Stat. 918.13(1)a and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment of four (4) months with credit for two (2) days time served and five (5) years probation.

#### III. RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHETHER RESPONDENT SHOULD BE FOUND GUILTY:

Respondent should be found guilty of violating the following Disciplinary Rules of the Code of Professional Responsibility and Integration Rules of The Florida Bar: Disciplinary Rules 1-102(A)(1) [a lawyer shall not violate a disciplinary rule], 1-102(A)(3) [a lawyer shall not engage in illegal conduct involving moral turpitude], 1-102(A)(4) [a lawyer shall not engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation] and 1-102(A)(6) [a lawyer shall not engage in conduct that adversely reflects on his fitness to practice law], and article XI, Integration Rules 11.02(3)(a) [a lawyer shall not engage in any conduct contrary to honesty, justice or good morals] and 11.02(3)(b) [misconduct constituting a felony].

#### IV. STATEMENT AS TO PAST DISCIPLINE AND PERSONAL HISTORY:

Respondent was admitted to The Florida Bar on October 22, 1980 and is 31 years of age. He was previously suspended from the practice of law in this jurisdiction for a period of thirty (30) days. The Florida Bar v. Adamo, 456 So. 2d 894 (Fla. 1984). He was also suspended from the practice of law effective November 26, 1985 pursuant to order entered by the Supreme Court of Florida, Case No. 67,800.

## V. STATEMENT OF COSTS AND RECOMMENDATION AS TO THE MANNER IN WHICH COSTS SHOULD BE TAXED:

The undersigned finds the following costs were reasonably incurred by The Florida Bar and should be taxed against Respondent:

Administrative Costs at Referee Level
(article XI, Rule 11.06(9)(a) of the
Integration Rule of The Florida Bar) ----- \$150.00
TOTAL ------ \$150.00

#### VI. RECOMMENDATION AS TO DISCIPLINARY MEASURES TO BE APPLIED:

The undersigned recommends Respondent's Consent Judgment be accepted by the Supreme Court of Florida and that Respondent be disbarred from the practice of law in this jurisdiction effective November 26, 1985 subject to all conditions set forth in the Consent Judgment, to-wit: Respondent shall be eligible for admission to the Bar

on November 26, 1988 conditioned upon restoration of his civil rights and full compliance with all rules and regulations governing admission to the Bar including, but not limited to, successful passage of all portions of the Bar Examination. Costs of these proceedings should be taxed against Respondent in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) with execution to issue and with interest to accrue at a rate of twelve per cent (12%) on all costs not paid within thirty (30) days of entry of the Supreme Court's final order in this cause, unless time for payment is extended by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar.

DATED this 220 day of May, 1986 at Miami, Dade County, Florida.

CELESTE H. MUIR, Referee

Copies furnished to:

Richard B. Liss, Attorney for Complainant Edmund A. Adamo, in proper person, Respondent