

Chief Dep y Clerk

Supreme Court Case

The Florida Bar File

NO. 87-24,345(11D)

No. 72,505

### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

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The Florida Bar,

Complainant,

vs.

Alan K. Marcus,

Respondent.

#### AMENDED REPORT OF REFEREE

I. SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS: Pursuant to the undersigned being duly appointed as Referee for the Supreme Court of Florida to conduct the taking of additional evidence relative to the issue of mitigation. All of the transcripts are forwarded with this report and the foregoing constitutes the record of this evidentiary hearing.

The following attorneys appeared **as** counsel for the parties: On behalf of The Florida Bar: Warren Jay Stamm, Esquire On behalf of the Respondent: Louis Jepeway, Esquire

Respondent, submitted additional testimony and a cadri of other witnesses which provided a positive character, long standing rehabilitation and recovery of over three years and a strong affiliation with Narcotics Anonymous and fellow addicts needed to maintain recovery.

11. FINDINGS OF FACTS: Upon the testimony and cadri of other witnesses testimony on behalf of the Respondent the Referee finds as follows:

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(1) As previously established, there was a direct and causal link between the Respondents misconduct and his narcotic addiction to cocaine.

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- (2) Respondent has established a repore and strong affiliation with Narcotics Anonymous Program over the last three years and continues this affiliation on a bi-weekly basis.
- (3) Respondent has successfully fulfilled a two year contract with the Florida Lawyers Assistance Corporation and voluntarily continues to report to his assigned monitor to date.
- (4) Respondent has shown an active and helpful role in the recover of other suffering addicts.
- (5) Respondent adequately **and** responsibly performs as an attorney in the community today.
- (6) Respondent has made full restitution to the harmed parties.

## 111. RECOMMENDATION AS TO THE ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AND THE DISCIPLINARY MEASURES TO BE APPLIED:

Whereupon, the recommended disciplinary measures to imposed

#### are as follows:

- (a) An eighteen month suspension effective upon the date so ordered by the Supreme Court.
- (b) Respondent shall be placed on probation for a period of three (3) years from the date so ordered by the Supreme Court. During this period of probation, Respondent shall enroll in and successfully complete a Florida Lawyers Assistance, Inc. (FLA) or a Florida Lawyers Assistance, Inc. sponsored rehabilitation program. Proof of successful completion of said program shall be provided to The Florida Bar by Respondent at the conclusion of the three (3) year probationary period.

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

I find that the fallowing were reasonably incurred by The Florida Bar as costs in their proceedings and should be assessed against Respondent:

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- **III.** RECOMMENDATION AS **TO THE** ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AND THE DISCIPLINARY MEASURES TO BE **APPLIED**:

Whereupon, the recommended disciplinary measures to be

imposed are as follows:

- (a) An eighteen month period of suspension of the Respondent from the practice of law.
- (b) A ten year probation period with participation in alcohol or drug abuse programs.
- V. STATEMENT OF COSTS AND RECOMMENDATION AS TO THE MANNER IN WHICH COSTS SHOULD BE TAXED:

1 find that the following were reasonably incurred by The

Florida Bar as costs in there proceedings and should be assessed

against Respondent:

Administrative Costs:

Referee Level

Cost of Audit: Investigation

TOTAL :

It is recommended that the foregoing costs be assessed against Respondent. It is further recommended that execution issue with interest at a rate of twelve precent (12%) to accrue on all costs not paid within 30 days of entry of the Supreme Court's final order, unless the time for payment is extended by the Board of Governors of The Florida Bar.

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23 day of 1990. DATED this

ZEBEDEE W. WRIGHT Referee

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