In the

United States Court of Appeals

For the Eleventh Circuit

No. 23-1004

IN THE MATTER OF: TRISTAN W. GILLESPIE

Disciplinary Proceeding Pursuant to the Rules Governing Attorney Discipline in the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

On April 1, 2025, this Court issued an Order to Show Cause requiring attorney Tristain W. Gillespie to show cause why he should not be reciprocally disciplined based upon the February 11, 2025, order issued in Case No. 2024-06022, *In the Matter of Tristan Wade Gillespie* by the Appellate Division, First Judicial Department, of the Supreme Court of the State of New York ("the Appellate Division").

In its order, the Appellate Division reciprocally suspended Gillespie from the practice of law "for a period of one year, and until further order of this Court." The suspension, which took effect on March 13, 2025, was based upon the United States District Court for the District of Maryland's August 7, 2024, order in case No. 21-mc-014, *In Re: Tristan W. Gillespie*, which suspended counsel for a four-month period, effective nunc pro tunc to July 5, 2023, "deemed as served," but without automatic it reinstatement. The Appellate Division determined that Gillespie's appeal of his Maryland suspension, pending in appeal No. 24-181, In Re: Tristan W. Gillespie in the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, "does not warrant delaying adjudication of this matter." The court concluded that given the severity of Gillespie's conduct, it would not defer to the Maryland District Court's punishment and would instead impose the more severe sanction.

On April 13, 2025, Gillespie filed a timely response to this Court's show cause order. Upon review of counsel's response and his underlying conduct, which precipitated his suspension, this Court hereby reciprocates the Appellate Division's disciplinary order, SUSPENDING counsel from the practice of law in this Court for a period of one year, effective March 13, 2025, and until further order of this Court.

Counsel is precluded from the practice of law before this Court until reinstated by order of the Court. *See* Rule 9.A. of Addendum Eight. In order to request reinstatement to practice in this Court, counsel must file a petition for reinstatement. *See* Rule 9.B. of Addendum Eight. Counsel may not apply for reinstatement

to this Court's Bar until he has been reinstated to practice by the Appellate Division. *See* Rule 9.B. of Addendum Eight.

/s/ William H. Pryor. Jr. CHIEF JUDGE