

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

IN RE: SHANTE Y. WELLS

No.2020-B-00603

IN RE: Disciplinary Counsel - Applicant Other; Shante Y. Wells - Applicant Other;
Joint Petition for Consent Discipline;

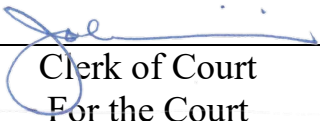
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Joint petition for consent discipline accepted. See per curiam.

JTG
JLW
JDH
JHB

Johnson, C.J., would reject and assign reasons.
Crichton, J., would reject and assigns reasons.
Crain, J., would reject for reasons assigned by Justice Crichton.

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Clerk of Court
For the Court

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NO. 2020-B-0603

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ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING

PER CURIAM

The Office of Disciplinary Counsel (“ODC”) commenced an investigation into allegations that respondent mishandled his client trust account and failed to supervise a non-lawyer employee. Prior to the filing of formal charges, respondent and the ODC submitted a joint petition for consent discipline in which respondent admitted that his conduct violated Rules 1.15(a)(f) and 5.3 of the Rules of Professional Conduct. Having reviewed the petition,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Consent Discipline be accepted and that Shante Y. Wells, Louisiana Bar Roll number 27747, be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year and one day. This suspension shall be deferred in its entirety, subject to respondent’s successful completion of a two-year period of probation governed by the conditions set forth in the petition for consent discipline. The probationary period shall commence from the date respondent and the ODC execute a formal probation plan. Any failure of respondent to comply with the conditions of probation, or any misconduct during the probationary period, may be grounds for making the deferred suspension executory, or imposing additional discipline, as appropriate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all costs and expenses in the matter are assessed against respondent in accordance with Supreme Court Rule XIX, § 10.1, with legal interest to commence thirty days from the date of finality of this court’s judgment until paid.