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Samuel Christensen Clerk of Supreme Court 110 East Main Street, Suite 215 Madison, WI 53703

Re:

Disciplinary Proceedings Against Michael J. Gableman

Sup. Ct. Case No. 2024AP2356-D

Dear Mr. Christensen:

Enclosed for filing please find the fully executed *Stipulation* in the above mentioned matter.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Donald K. Schott

Retained Counsel for OLR

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cc: Referee James Winiarski (w/enclosure)(via email jjw@winiarskilaw.com and US Mail Attorney Peyton B. Engel (w/enclosure) (via email pengel@hurleyburish.com and US

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MICHAEL J. GABLEMAN, ATTORNEY AT LAW.

CASE CODE 30912

OFFICE OF LAWYER REGULATION, CASE NO. 2024AP2356-D

Complainant;

MICHAEL J. GABLEMAN,

Respondent.

STIPULATION

- IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties, Respondent, Attorney Michael J. Gableman, individually and by his Attorney Peyton B. Engel, and the Office of Lawyer Regulation by Retained Counsel for OLR, Attorney Donald K. Schott as follows:
- 1. On November 19, 2024, OLR commenced the above disciplinary proceeding against Gableman by filing a disciplinary complaint (Complaint) alleging ten counts of Supreme Court Rules violations.
- 2. Gableman hereby stipulates that he successfully defend against the allegations of misconduct contained in the Complaint, and agrees that the allegations of the Complaint provide an adequate factual basis in the record for a determination of SCR violations as alleged in each of the ten counts of the Complaint.

3. The parties agree that the appropriate level of discipline for Gableman's SCR violations is a three-year suspension of Gableman's license to practice law in Wisconsin.

4. Notice of Rights and Waiver:

- a. This Stipulation is not the result of plea bargaining, but the result of Gableman's voluntary decision to not further contest this matter,
- b. Gableman represents and verifies that he fully understands:
 - The SCR violation allegations to which he has stipulated in this disciplinary matter,
 - ii. His rights to contest this matter, to see and cross-examine witnesses called by OLR, to call witnesses and present testimony and evidence on his own behalf, to require OLR to prove its allegations by clear, satisfactory and convincing evidence, and to make arguments to the Referee that OLR has failed to meet its burden of proof,
 - iii. The ramifications of his entry into this Stipulation,
 - iv. That he has the right to consult counsel and has consulted with counsel, and

- v. That his entry into this Stipulation is made knowingly and voluntarily.
- 5. The parties further jointly request that the Referee enter a scheduling order containing the following provisions to govern further proceedings in this matter:
 - (a) On or before April 25, 2025, OLR shall file a submission addressing the issues of (1) why the record demonstrates an adequate factual basis for the violations alleged in the Complaint, and (2) why a three-year suspension is an appropriate level of sanction for those violations.
 - (b) The submission filed by OLR may contain factual information which OLR desires to be included in the record and considered by the Referee in addition to the facts alleged in the Complaint and stipulated to by Respondent.
 - (c) On or before May 9, 2025, Respondent may file a response to the OLR submission. The response shall state if Respondent contends that there are any disputes of material fact with respect to the additional factual information submitted by OLR. All additional factual information for which Respondent does not state he contends there is a dispute of material fact shall be considered part of the record. The response may

- also include any additional factual information the Respondent desires to be considered part of the record with respect to the sanction issue.
- (d) If Respondent files a response contending that there are disputes of material fact with respect to the additional factual information submitted by OLR, or containing additional factual information the Respondent desires to be included in the record, OLR shall submit a response on or before May 19, 2025, stating its response to any disputes raised by Respondent's submission and stating whether OLR contends that there are any disputes of material fact any additional factual with respect to information submitted by Respondent. additional factual information submitted by Respondent for which OLR does not state that it contends there is a dispute of material fact shall be considered part of the record.
- (e) If, after the submissions permitted above, it appears that there are disputes about any additional factual information, the Referee shall resolve those disputes at a hearing commencing on June 9, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., at the Milwaukee Bar Association Building, 747 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The

hearing will continue at 9:00 a.m. on June 10, 2025, if necessary.

- The discovery deadline set forth (f)in Referee's January 24, 2025, Scheduling Order is amended to allow discovery, limited discovery on topics which are the subject of any dispute as outlined above, until May 30, 2025.
- (g) A final telephonic scheduling conference shall take place on June 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., initiated by the attorney for complainant.
- (h) This scheduling order supersedes the Scheduling Order entered by the Referee on January 24, 2025.

Dated: 4/7/2005

Donald K. Schott

Attorney for Complainant

State Bar No. 1010075

Michael

Respondent

State Bar No. 1024325

Dated: 4/7/2025

Attorney Peyton B. Engel Attorney for Respondent State Bar No. 1087902