

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Matter of:

William Z. Warren,

Respondent

Proceeding No. D2010-22

FINAL ORDER PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 11.24

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d), the suspension of William Z. Warren (Respondent) from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO or Office) is hereby ordered for violation of the ethical standard set out in 37 C.F.R. § 10.23(b)(6) via 37 C.F.R. § 10.23(c)(5).

A “Notice and Order Under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24” mailed March 30, 2010, (Notice and Order) informed Respondent that the Director of the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED Director) had filed a “Complaint for Reciprocal Discipline Under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24” (Complaint) requesting that the USPTO Director impose reciprocal discipline upon Respondent, namely: suspension from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the Office for a period of five (5) years. The request for suspension of the Respondent in the Complaint was based upon the February 2, 2009, Order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in *Office of Disciplinary Counsel v. William Z. Warren*, No. 1418 Disciplinary Docket No. 3, No. 151 DB 2007, Attorney Registration No. 10296 (Berks County), suspending Respondent from the practice of law in Pennsylvania for a period of five (5) years. The Notice and Order directed that if Respondent seeks to contest imposition

of his suspension from practice pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d), Respondent shall file, within 40 days, a response containing all information Respondent believes is sufficient to establish a genuine issue of material fact that the imposition of discipline identical to that imposed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania would be unwarranted based upon any of the grounds permissible under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d)(1).

Respondent has not filed a response to the Notice and Order.

37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d)(1). Accordingly, the USPTO Director hereby determines that: 1) there is no genuine issue of material fact under 37 C.F.R. § 11.24(d) and 2) suspension of Respondent from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the USPTO is appropriate.

ACCORDINGLY, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- (a) Respondent is suspended from the practice of patent, trademark, and other non-patent law before the Office for a period of five (5) years;
- (b) Respondent shall comply fully with 37 C.F.R. § 11.58 while suspended;
- (c) Respondent is granted limited recognition to practice before the Office beginning on the date this Final Order is signed and expiring thirty (30) days after the date this Final Order is signed for the sole purpose of facilitating Respondent's compliance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 11.58(b);
- (d) the OED Director shall publish this Final Order;
- (e) the OED Director shall publish the following notice in the *Official Gazette*:

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

William Z. Warren of Bethel, Pennsylvania, registered patent attorney (Registration Number 26,626) who has otherwise been endorsed as inactive since June 25, 1991. Mr. Warren has been suspended from the practice of patent, trademark, and non-patent law before the United States Patent and

Trademark Office for a period of five (5) years for violating 37 C.F.R. § 10.23(b)(6) via 37 C.F.R. § 10.23(c)(5) by having his license to practice law in the state of Pennsylvania suspended on ethical grounds for five years by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for violating that jurisdiction's Rules of Professional Conduct 3.1, 3.3(a)(1), 4.1(a), 8.2(a), 8.4(c), and 8.4(d). Specifically, that jurisdiction disciplined Mr. Warren for misconduct in the course of civil litigation wherein he represented himself based on allegations he made in pleadings that accused a judge of improper and illegal activity. Mr. Warren offered no evidence for his allegations. This action is taken pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §§ 2(b)(2)(D) and 32 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.24 and 11.59. Disciplinary decisions involving practitioners are posted for public reading at the Office of Enrollment and Discipline's Reading Room located at: <http://des.uspto.gov/Foia/OEDReadingRoom.jsp>.

(f) the OED Director, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 11.59, shall give notice of the public discipline and the reasons for the discipline to disciplinary enforcement agencies in the State where the practitioner is admitted to practice, to courts where the practitioner is known to be admitted, and the public;

(g) Respondent shall comply fully with 37 C.F.R. § 11.60 upon any request for reinstatement.

JUN 11 2010

Date



WILLIAM R. COVEY
Deputy General Counsel for General Law
United States Patent and Trademark Office

on behalf of

David Kappos
Under Secretary of Commerce For Intellectual
Property and Director of the United States Patent
and Trademark Office

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing Final Order Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.24 was mailed first class certified mail, return receipt requested, this day to the Respondent at the following most recent address provided to OED pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 11.11:

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9350 Old 22
Bethel, PA 19507-9421

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