

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

THE FLORIDA BAR,

Supreme Court Case  
No. SC-2018-1621

IN RE:  
THE PETITION FOR  
DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION OF  
GREGORY THOMAS WILSON

The Florida Bar File  
No. 2022-00,197(14)NDR

Petitioner.

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**PETITION FOR DISCIPLINARY REVOCATION**  
**WITH LEAVE TO APPLY FOR READMISSION**

Petitioner, Gregory Thomas Wilson, hereby submits this Petition for Disciplinary Revocation With Leave to Apply for Readmission pursuant to Rule Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.12 and says :

1. Petitioner knowingly and voluntarily submits this Petition with leave to apply for readmission after five years with full knowledge of its effect.
2. Petitioner is 50 years old, has been a member of The Florida Bar since April 14, 2003, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Florida and the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar.
3. Petitioner has no prior disciplinary history.
4. The following disciplinary charges are currently pending against Petitioner:

SC18-1621-TFB File No. 2018-00,194(14)-On September 19, 2018, Petitioner was found guilty by a jury of, Count 1, possession of contraband (written material) at a county detention facility, a third degree felony, and Count 2, perjury not in an official proceeding, a first degree misdemeanor. On September 27, 2018, Petitioner was suspended from the practice of law pursuant to R. Regulating Fla. Bar 3-7.2 by the Florida Supreme Court. The suspension was effective October 27, 2018.

On November 4, 2018, Petitioner was sentenced by Michael C. Overstreet, Circuit Judge for the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. As to Count 1, adjudication was withheld and Petitioner was placed on three years probation. As to Count 2, Petitioner was placed on one year probation to run concurrent to the three years probation. Petitioner was also ordered to do 100 hours community service, to write letters of apology to the Sheriff of Bay County, to the Warden of the Bay County Jail, and to the members of the 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Bar.

Petitioner's appeal of his criminal conviction was Per Curiam Affirmed and the mandate was issued on September 22, 2021.

The Florida Bar has charged Petitioner with the following Rule violations: 3-4.3(Misconduct and Minor Misconduct), 3-4.4(Criminal Misconduct), 4-8.4(b)(A lawyer shall not commit a criminal act), 4-

8.4(c)(Dishonesty, Fraud, Deceit and Misrepresentation), 4-8.4(d)(Conduct Prejudicial to the Administration of Justice).

5. Petitioner contends that granting this Petition will not adversely affect the public interest, the integrity of the courts, or the confidence of the public in the legal profession. Further, Petitioner contends that granting this Petition will not hinder the administration of justice.

6. Petitioner requests that the effective date of this Petition be retroactive to the effective date of his suspension from the practice of law, namely, October 27 , 2018.

7. Petitioner agrees to reimburse the Client Security Fund (CSF) for any and all funds CSF has paid or may pay out for claims resulting from Petitioner's misconduct.

8. Petitioner agrees to reimburse The Florida Bar for the costs incurred in his disciplinary cases.

9. Petitioner agrees to submit to a complete audit of any trust account(s) and any other account(s) in which Petitioner has placed client funds, if reasonably requested to do so by The Florida Bar. There have been no allegations of mishandling of client funds brought against Petitioner.

10. Petitioner further agrees to submit a sworn financial affidavit to The Florida Bar attesting to Petitioner's current personal and professional

financial circumstances on a form to be provided by The Florida Bar within thirty days, if reasonably requested to do so by The Florida Bar.

11. Petitioner further agrees to maintain a current mailing address with The Florida Bar for a period of five years after the disciplinary revocation becomes final. Further, Petitioner shall keep the bar advised as to the physical address of Petitioner's home and/or business in the event Petitioner should utilize a post office box or other type of mail drop service during the five year period after the disciplinary revocation becomes final.

12. Petitioner previously eliminated all indicia of Petitioner's status as an attorney on email, social media, telephone listings, stationery, checks, business cards office signs and all other indicia of petitioner's status as an attorney.

13. Petitioner requests that the Court stay the proceedings in SC18-1621, TFB File No. 2018-00,194(14), until such time as the Court resolves this Petition. Because Petitioner has been suspended for three years, without any allegations of practicing without a license, there will be no threat of harm to the bench, the bar, or the welfare of the public by the granting of a stay.

14. Petitioner understands that the granting of this Petition by the Supreme Court of Florida shall serve to dismiss all pending disciplinary

cases.

15. Had this matter gone to Final Hearing, and in addition to an absence of a prior disciplinary record, Petitioner would have presented evidence showing that he had an excellent reputation in the community for ability and professionalism, that he regrets the lapses that led to the criminal charges brought against him, and that his misconduct was an aberration in an otherwise sterling career in law enforcement and in the practice of law. He would have shown that the contraband that he possessed consisted of his passing a note from one of his clients in detention to another client in detention. His false statement under oath was not the result of premeditation. Petitioner recognizes, however, that any mitigating circumstances do not excuse his offenses; they only impact the degree of discipline to be imposed. Petitioner acknowledges that disciplinary revocation is appropriate. He submits the mitigation warrants making the revocation nunc pro tunc to the date of his emergency suspension on effective October 27, 2018.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court enter its order:

(1) granting this Petition and ordering that Petitioner's membership in The Florida Bar be revoked with leave to seek readmission; (2) making the

effective date of Petitioner's revocation retroactive to October 27, 2018, the effective date of Petitioner's suspension from the practice of law; and (3) stay the proceedings in disciplinary case SC18-1621 until such time as this Court rules of the instant petition, including extending the time for the Referee below to file his Report of Referee until the Court resolves this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated this 12th day of November, 2021.

/s/ Gregory T. Wilson


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Dated this 12th day of November, 2021.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that this document has been furnished via the E-filing Portal to The Honorable John A. Tomasino, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Florida, to Joshua E. Doyle, Executive Director, The Florida Bar, at [jdoyle@floridabar.org](mailto:jdoyle@floridabar.org), and to Staff Counsel, Patricia Ann Toro Savitz, The Florida Bar, at [psavitz@floridabar.org](mailto:psavitz@floridabar.org), on this 12th day of November, 2021.



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