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Docket # 007

THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN RE:)	
)	Supreme Court No.
)	202,090-9
WARD M. MERDES,)	
)	RECIPROCAL DISCIPLINE
WSBA No. 20375)	ORDER PURSUANT TO
)	ELC 9.2(e)
_____)	

On October 14, 2022, the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska entered an Order suspending Ward M. Merdes from the practice of law in Alaska for four years. Upon notification of the action of the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska, this court issued an order, pursuant to ELC 9.2(c), directing Ward M. Merdes to inform this court of any claim that the imposition of identical discipline in the state would be unwarranted. Ward M. Merdes did not file a response. The Court reviewed the file in this matter and determined unanimously that the following order should be entered.

IT IS ORDERED:

The Washington State Supreme Court does hereby reciprocate discipline in the State of Washington. Ward M. Merdes is suspended from the practice of law for four years. Pursuant to ELC 13.2, the effective date of suspension is seven days from the date of this order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 2nd day of March, 2023.

For the Court


CHIEF JUSTICE