

## THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN RE	) )	ORDER PURSUANT TO ELC 9.2	FLED SEP-9 2016,
RICHARD C. SIPAN,	) )	BAR NO. 22351	WASHINGTON STATE SUPREME COURT
ATTORNEY AT LAW.	)	Supreme Court No. 201,532-8	

By order of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, filed February 19, 2016, Richard C. Sipan was suspended from the practice of law for four years, retroactive to January 6, 2015. Mr. Sipan admitted to a total of 136 violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct stemming from 15 grievances. ELC 9.2(e) provides that a final adjudication of lawyer misconduct in another jurisdiction conclusively establishes the misconduct for purposes of a disciplinary proceeding in this state. Upon notification of the action of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, this Court issued an order, pursuant to ELC 9.2(c), directing Mr. Sipan to inform this Court of any claim that the imposition of identical discipline in the state would be unwarranted. Mr. Sipan filed a response on August 3, 2016. The Court has reviewed the file in this matter and has determined unanimously that the following order should be entered. Now, therefore, it is hereby

## ORDERED:

The Washington State Supreme Court does hereby reciprocate discipline in the State of Washington and orders that Richard C. Sipan is suspended from the practice of law for four years. The suspension is retroactive to January 6, 2015.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this <u>Mb</u> day of September, 2016.

For the Court

Madsen, C.J.
CHIEF JUSTICE

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