

# THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

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STEPHEN D. PETERSEN, )  
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ATTORNEY AT LAW. )  
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BAR NO. 32270

Supreme Court No.  
201,191-8

ORDER  
PURSUANT TO  
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By an order of the Oregon State Disciplinary Board dated July 23, 2012, Stephen D. Petersen was reprimanded for disbursing a third party's funds to a client before he was authorized to do so, in violation of Oregon RPC 1.15-1(e). ELC 9.2(f) provides that a final adjudication in another jurisdiction of lawyer misconduct conclusively establishes the misconduct for purposes of a disciplinary proceeding in this state. Upon notification of the action of the Oregon State Disciplinary Board, this Court issued an order, pursuant to ELC 9.2(c), directing Stephen D. Petersen to inform this Court of any claim that the imposition of identical discipline in the state would be unwarranted. Stephen D. Petersen filed a response on June 13, 2013. The Court has reviewed the file in this matter and has unanimously determined 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 Stephen D. Petersen be reprimanded. Said reprimand is deemed administered on this date.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2013.

For the Court

Madsen, C. J.  
CHIEF JUSTICE

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Re: WSBA #32270 - In re Stephen D. Petersen, Attorney at Law  
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Ms. Abelson:

Enclosed please find the Order signed by Chief Justice Madsen and entered on July 23, 2013, in the matter of Stephen D. Petersen.

Sincerely,

Desiree Chandler  
Coordinator  
Attorney Discipline/Admissions

DRC:drc  
Enclosure as stated  
cc: Julie Shankland

