ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND

IN THE

COURT OF APPEALS

* OF MARYLAND

Petitioner

Misc. Docket AG

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* No. <u>31</u>

STEPHEN JOHN SAUNDERS

September Term, 2016

Respondent

ORDER

Upon consideration of the Joint Petition for Disbarment by Consent filed herein pursuant to Maryland Rule 19-736, in which Respondent admits he committed professional misconduct in violation of Rules 1.5(c), 1.15(a) and (d), and 8.4(c) and (d) of the Maryland Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct, in effect at the time of the misconduct, it is this 8th_day of September , 2016,

ORDERED, that Respondent, Stephen John Saunders, be and he is hereby disbarred from the practice of law in the State of Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk of this Court shall remove the name of Stephen John Saunders from the register of attorneys in the Court and certify that fact to the Trustees of the Client Protection Fund of the Bar of Maryland and all Clerks of all judicial tribunals in this State in accordance with Maryland Rule 19-761.

/s/ Clayton Greene Jr. Senior Judge