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IN THE MATTER OF THE RECERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN ATTORNEYS TO PRACTICE LAW IN MARYLAND IN THE

SUPREME COURT

**OF MARYLAND** 

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## **ORDER**

By the Court's September 17, 2015 Order, attorney Brandon H. Barnes (AIS No. 1001070002) was prohibited from the further practice of law in the State of Maryland for failure to comply with the obligations imposed by Rules 19-409(c) and 19-503(c). Attorney Barnes has now requested reinstatement pursuant to those Rules, and the Administrative Office of the Courts has confirmed Attorney Barnes' compliance with Rules 19-409(c) and 19-503(c).

By the Court's May 07, 2020 Order, attorney Paul J. Tortora Jr. (AIS No. 1012160208) was prohibited from the further practice of law in the State of Maryland for failure to comply with the obligations imposed by Rule 19-605. Attorney Tortora has now requested reinstatement pursuant to Rule 19-606(c), and the Trustees of the Client Protection Fund have confirmed attorney Tortora's compliance with Rule 19-605.

Accordingly, it is this 24th day of July 2023, by the Supreme Court of Maryland, ORDERED that attorneys

Brandon H. Barnes (AIS No. 1001070002),

Paul J. Tortora, Jr. (AIS No. 1012160208)

are restored to good standing by the Court and are again permitted to practice law in the State of Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall forward a copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Appellate Court of Maryland, the clerks of the circuit courts for the counties and Baltimore City, the Chief Clerk of District Court of Maryland, the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for

the Fourth Circuit, and the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

/s/ Matthew J. Fader
Chief Justice

Filed: July 24, 2023

/s/ Gregory Hilton

Clerk

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Gregory Hilton, Clerk