

SUPREME COURT OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Striking of Names of Members of the Oklahoma Bar Association for Nonpayment of 2020 Dues

2021 OK 48 · No. SCBD-6971 · Decided October 4, 2021

SUMMARY

The Supreme Court of Oklahoma ordered the names of attorneys listed in Exhibit A stricken from the Oklahoma Bar Association membership rolls and the Roll of Attorneys for failure to pay 2020 dues. The order states that the affected attorneys had been suspended, had not applied for reinstatement, and were therefore no longer eligible for membership or to practice law in Oklahoma.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Oklahoma
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Per Curiam
JURISDICTION	Oklahoma
DECIDED	October 4, 2021
DOCKET	SCBD-6971
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The Oklahoma Bar Association Board of Governors applied to the Supreme Court of Oklahoma for an order striking the names of attorneys who failed to pay their 2020 membership dues.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published in Oklahoma Reports Online Journal only; not for official publication

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the Supreme Court of Oklahoma should strike the names of the attorneys listed in Exhibit A from the Roll of Attorneys for failure to pay 2020 Oklahoma Bar Association dues.

2. Whether the Oklahoma Bar Association Board of Governors complied with the governing Rules in seeking the attorneys' removal.

HOLDINGS

1. The Board of Governors' actions complied with the Rules Creating and Controlling the Oklahoma Bar Association.
2. The attorneys listed in Exhibit A were ordered stricken from the Roll of Attorneys for failure to pay their 2020 Oklahoma Bar Association dues.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“It is therefore ordered that the attorneys named as set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto, are hereby stricken from the Roll of Attorneys for failure to pay their dues as members of the Association for the year 2020.”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The named attorneys failed to pay their 2020 Oklahoma Bar Association dues. They were suspended from membership and prohibited from practicing law by a September 14, 2020, order. The Board of Governors determined at its May 21, 2021, meeting that none had applied for reinstatement and declared that their names should be removed from the membership rolls and Roll of Attorneys.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The affected attorneys had previously been suspended from Oklahoma Bar Association membership and prohibited from practicing law for failure to pay 2020 dues. The Board of Governors determined that none had applied for reinstatement and declared that their names should be stricken from the membership rolls and Roll of Attorneys. The Supreme Court found the Board's actions compliant with the governing rules and ordered the names stricken.

DISPOSITION

other

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

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NOT FOR OFFICIAL PUBLICATION. IN THE MATTER OF THE STRIKING OF NAMES OF MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA BAR ASSOCIATION FOR NONPAYMENT OF 2020 DUES ORDER STRIKING NAMES The Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Bar Association filed an Application for Order Striking Names of attorneys from the Oklahoma Bar Association's membership rolls for failure to pay dues as members of the Oklahoma Bar Association for the year 2020.

Pursuant to the Rules Creating and Controlling the Oklahoma Bar Association (Rules), 5 O.S. 2011 ch. 1, app. 1, art. VIII §2, the Oklahoma Bar Association's members named on Exhibit A, attached hereto, were suspended from membership in the Oklahoma Bar Association and prohibited from practicing law in the State of Oklahoma by this Court's Order of September 14, 2020, for failure to pay their 2020 dues in accordance with Article VIII, Section 2 of the Rules.

Based upon the application, this Court finds that the Board of Governors determined at its May 21, 2021, meeting that none of the Oklahoma Bar Association members named on Exhibit A, attached hereto, have applied for reinstatement, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 4 of the Rules, at the time of the filing of its application.

The Board of Governors further declared that the members named on Exhibit A, attached hereto, shall cease to be members of the Oklahoma Bar Association and that their names should therefore be stricken from its membership rolls and the Roll of Attorneys on September 14, 2021, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 5 of the Rules. This Court further finds that the actions of the Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Bar Association are in compliance with the Rules.

It is therefore ordered that the attorneys named as set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto, are hereby stricken from the Roll of Attorneys for failure to pay their dues as members of the Association for the year 2020. DONE BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT IN CONFERENCE THIS 4th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021. /S/CHIEF JUSTICE ALL JUSTICES CONCUR. EXHIBIT A (DUES - STRIKE) Kerry L. Balentine, OBA No. 12204 424 Gold St. Shelby, NC 28150 Jake Randal Boazman, OBA No. 21606 448 US Hwy 60/70/84 Clovis, NM 88101 Scott Alan Briggs, OBA No. 17380 13525 Green Cedar Ln.

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