

SUPREME COURT OF RHODE ISLAND

In the Matter of Steven D. DiLibero

No. 2025-76-M.P. · No. No. 2025-76-M.P. · Decided June 5, 2026

SUMMARY

The Rhode Island Supreme Court ordered that Steven D. DiLibero remain suspended pursuant to its June 16, 2025 reciprocal-discipline order, pending further order of the Court. The Court directed Disciplinary Counsel to provide a status update by September 15, 2026.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Rhode Island
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Chief Justice Suttell; Justice Goldberg; Justice Robinson; Justice Lynch Prata; Justice Long
JURISDICTION	Rhode Island Supreme Court
DECIDED	June 5, 2026
DOCKET	No. 2025-76-M.P.
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The Rhode Island Supreme Court considered Disciplinary Counsel's Second Report and Recommendation concerning the continued effect of a reciprocal suspension previously imposed on the respondent.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published order; no precedential classification stated in the text.
PARTIES	Disciplinary Counsel v. Steven D. DiLibero

TOPICS

appellate procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

legal ethics and professional responsibility attorney discipline reciprocal discipline

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the Rhode Island Supreme Court should continue its previously imposed reciprocal suspension while the respondent remained suspended in Massachusetts and pending a further status update.

HOLDINGS

1. The respondent's Rhode Island suspension shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the court.
2. Disciplinary Counsel must provide the court with a status update no later than September 15, 2026.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Accordingly, the respondent shall remain suspended pursuant to the Court’s June 16, 2025 order, until further order of the Court.” (at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The respondent was subject to a suspension order from the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. Rhode Island had previously imposed reciprocal discipline on June 16, 2025, and the respondent remained suspended in Massachusetts while communicating through counsel that he had no objection to Rhode Island's suspension remaining in force.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On June 16, 2025, the Rhode Island Supreme Court imposed reciprocal discipline consisting of a one-year suspension, with six months and one day to serve, based on a suspension order entered by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. Because the respondent remained suspended in Massachusetts and did not object, Disciplinary Counsel requested that the Rhode Island suspension remain in effect pending a further status update. The court ordered that the suspension continue until further order and directed Disciplinary Counsel to provide a status update by September 15, 2026.

DISPOSITION

other

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

Supreme Court No. 2025-76-M.P. In the Matter of Steven D. DiLibero. :

ORDER

This matter came before the Court at its conference on June 3, 2026, for consideration of Disciplinary Counsel’s Second Report and Recommendation. This Court entered an order dated June 16, 2025, imposing reciprocal discipline of a suspension for a period of one year, with six months and one day to serve, on the respondent based upon a suspension order by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. Disciplinary Counsel requests that this Court continue its suspension order in place pending a further status update in fall 2026. To date, the respondent remains suspended in Massachusetts and has communicated through his counsel that he has no

objection to the Court's suspension order remaining in full force and effect. Accordingly, the respondent shall remain suspended pursuant to the Court's June 16, 2025 order, until further order of the Court. Disciplinary Counsel shall provide this Court with a status update no later than September 15, 2026. -1- Entered as an Order of this Court this 5th day of June 2026. By Order, /s/ Meredith A. Benoit Clerk -2-

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

SUPREME COURT – CLERK'S OFFICE

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ORDER COVER SHEET

Title of Case In the Matter of Steven D. DiLibero. Case Number No. 2025-76-M.P. Date Order Filed June 5, 2026 Suttell, C.J., Goldberg, Robinson, Lynch Prata, and Justices Long, JJ. Source of Appeal N/A Judicial Officer from Lower Court N/A For Petitioner: Kerry Travers, Esq. Attorney(s) on Appeal Chief Disciplinary Counsel For Respondent: Michael Lepizzera, Esq. SU-CMS-02B (revised November 2022)