

SUPREME COURT OF KENTUCKY

Timothy Michael Longmeyer v. Kentucky Bar Association

2017-SC-000025-KB · No. 2017-SC-000025-KB · Decided April 4, 2017

SUMMARY

The Supreme Court of Kentucky granted Timothy Michael Longmeyer’s motion to resign from the Kentucky Bar Association under terms of permanent disbarment. The order followed his guilty plea to federal bribery charges and directed him to comply with applicable client-notification requirements and pay \$64.80 in costs.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Kentucky
WRITING FOR THE COURT	All sitting
JURISDICTION	Kentucky
DECIDED	April 4, 2017
DOCKET	2017-SC-000025-KB
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Longmeyer moved for leave to resign from the Kentucky Bar Association under terms of permanent disbarment. The Kentucky Bar Association did not object.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	The court reviewed the record, the severity of Longmeyer's conduct, and Kentucky disciplinary precedent.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	published
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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether Longmeyer should be permitted to resign from the Kentucky Bar Association under terms of permanent disbarment.

HOLDINGS

1. Longmeyer was permitted to resign from the Kentucky Bar Association under terms of permanent disbarment because the severity of his bribery-related conduct and the disciplinary record warranted permanent disbarment.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Longmeyer pleaded guilty to bribery arising from his conduct while serving as Secretary of the Kentucky Personnel Cabinet and administering the Kentucky Employees' Health Plan. He received \$212,500 in illegal kickbacks from a consultant providing services through the plan. The federal court sentenced him to 70 months of incarceration and ordered him to pay \$203,500 in restitution.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Longmeyer pleaded guilty in federal court to one count of bribery under 18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(B), received a 70-month sentence, and was ordered to pay restitution. The Kentucky Bar Association temporarily suspended him under SCR 3.166, and the Inquiry Commission issued a complaint alleging professional misconduct under SCR 3.130(8.4)(b), although formal charges had not been issued. Longmeyer acknowledged that sufficient evidence supported formal charges and sought resignation under terms of permanent disbarment; the Supreme Court of Kentucky granted the motion.

DISPOSITION

other