

## SUPREME COURT OF MARYLAND

### Attorney Grievance Comm'n v. Njoku

AG No. 60, September Term, 2025 · No. AG No. 60, September Term, 2025 · Decided May 27, 2026

#### SUMMARY

The Supreme Court of Maryland ordered that Chukwuemeka A. Njoku be suspended from practicing law for 60 days for violations of Maryland Attorneys' Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a), and 8.4(d). The suspension was stayed for one year under the parties' probation agreement, and Njoku was ordered to reimburse the Attorney Grievance Commission \$1,126.40 in costs.

#### CASE DETAILS

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| COURT              | Supreme Court of Maryland                                                                                                                                                   |
| JURISDICTION       | Supreme Court of Maryland                                                                                                                                                   |
| DECIDED            | May 27, 2026                                                                                                                                                                |
| DOCKET             | AG No. 60, September Term, 2025                                                                                                                                             |
| DISPOSITION        | other                                                                                                                                                                       |
| PROCEDURAL POSTURE | Attorney disciplinary proceeding resolved by the Supreme Court of Maryland on the parties' joint petition for a 60-day suspension stayed in favor of one year of probation. |
| PRECEDENTIAL VALUE | Published disciplinary order; no general legal rule is announced in the text.                                                                                               |
| PARTIES            | Attorney Grievance Commission v. Chukwuemeka A. Njoku                                                                                                                       |

#### TOPICS

administrative law

agency adjudication

#### PRACTICE AREAS

legal ethics

attorney discipline

professional responsibility

#### QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the parties' joint petition for attorney discipline should be granted.

2. What discipline should be imposed for Respondent's violations of Maryland Attorneys' Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a), and 8.4(d).

#### **HOLDINGS**

1. Respondent violated Maryland Attorneys' Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a), and 8.4(d).
2. Respondent was suspended from the practice of law in Maryland for 60 days, with the suspension stayed for one year subject to the terms and conditions of the parties' probation agreement.
3. Respondent was ordered to pay \$1,126.40 to the Attorney Grievance Commission within 90 days as reimbursement for costs associated with the matter.

#### **KEY QUOTATIONS**

*“Respondent, Chukwuemeka A. Njoku, be suspended from the practice of law in Maryland for a period of 60 days for violations of Rules 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a) and (d) of the Maryland Attorneys’ Rules of Professional Conduct, with the suspension stayed for a period of one year under the terms and conditions of the parties’ probation agreement”*

#### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

The order states that Respondent Chukwuemeka A. Njoku violated Maryland Attorneys' Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a), and 8.4(d). The parties jointly petitioned for a 60-day suspension stayed in favor of one year of probation under specified probation-agreement terms, and the court also ordered reimbursement of the Attorney Grievance Commission's costs.

#### **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

The Attorney Grievance Commission and Respondent submitted a joint petition seeking a 60-day suspension stayed under a one-year probation agreement. The Supreme Court of Maryland entered an order imposing the suspension, staying it subject to the probation agreement, and requiring reimbursement of \$1,126.40 in costs.

#### **DISPOSITION**

other

#### **OPINION**

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PER CURIAM.

\* IN THE

ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE

COMMISSION

\* SUPREME COURT

\* OF MARYLAND

v. \* AG No. 60

CHUKWUEMEKA A. NJOKU

\* September Term, 2025

ORDER

Upon consideration of the parties' joint petition for 60-day suspension stayed in favor of one year of probation under the terms and conditions of the parties' probation agreement, it is this 27th day of May 2026, by the Supreme Court of Maryland, ORDERED that Respondent, Chukwuemeka A. Njoku, be suspended from the practice of law in Maryland for a period of 60 days for violations of Rules 1.7(a)(2), 1.8(e)(1)(2), 8.4(a) and (d) of the Maryland Attorneys' Rules of Professional Conduct, with the suspension stayed for a period of one year under the terms and conditions of the parties' probation agreement; and it is further ORDERED that, within 90 days of the date of this Order, the Respondent shall pay \$1,126.40 to the Attorney Grievance Commission as reimbursement for the costs associated with this matter. Pursuant to the Maryland Uniform Electronic Legal /s/ Matthew J. Fader Materials Act (§§ 10-1601 et seq. of the State Chief Justice Government Article) this document is authentic. 2026.05.27 '00'04- 13:02:30 Gregory Hilton, Clerk