

**CRAIG D. ODEGAARD**  
**(Resignation in Lieu of Discipline)**

On July 19, 2010, the Idaho Supreme Court entered an Order accepting the resignation in lieu of discipline of Coeur d'Alene attorney, Craig D. Odegaard. The Idaho Supreme Court's Order followed a stipulated resolution of a formal charge disciplinary proceeding requesting disbarment and related to the following conduct.

In November 2007, Mr. Odegaard was indicted by a federal grand jury in the United States District Court for the District of Idaho for bankruptcy fraud in conjunction with his personal bankruptcy. The indictment alleged that Mr. Odegaard concealed contingency fee rights from the trustee and creditors. On June 4, 2008, Mr. Odegaard entered into a Rule 11 Plea Agreement. Mr. Odegaard pled guilty to one count of bankruptcy fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2 and 152(1). Mr. Odegaard was sentenced to a 15 month prison term which commenced on January 7, 2009. Mr. Odegaard is on supervised probation for two years following his release. Mr. Odegaard was also ordered to pay monetary penalties of a \$100 assessment and a \$2,500 fine.

Based upon the foregoing, Mr. Odegaard admitted the factual allegations contained in the Amended Complaint in the disciplinary case and that he violated I.B.C.R. 505(b), I.R.P.C. 8.4(b), 3.3(a), 8.4(c) and 8.4(d). In December 2008, the Idaho State Bar and Mr. Odegaard entered into a stipulation for interim suspension of his license to practice law. On January 6, 2009, the Idaho Supreme Court suspended Mr. Odegaard's license. The parties agreed, and the Idaho Supreme Court ordered, that the time that Mr. Odegaard spent on interim suspension was to be credited toward any eventual sanction he received in the disciplinary case. Thus, the resignation in lieu of discipline is effective January 6, 2009.

By the terms of the Order, Mr. Odegaard may not make application for admission to the Idaho State Bar sooner than January 6, 2014. If he does make such application for admission, he will be required to comply with all bar admission requirements found in Section II of the Idaho Bar Commission Rules and shall have the burden of overcoming the rebuttable presumption of "unfitness to practice law." Mr. Odegaard's name was also stricken from the records of the Idaho Supreme Court and his right to practice law before the courts in the State of Idaho was terminated.

Inquiries about this matter may be directed to: Bar Counsel, Idaho State Bar, P.O. Box 895, Boise, ID 83701, (208) 334-4500.