

**TERRY R. SPENCER**  
(Suspension)

On September 30, 2020, the Idaho Supreme Court issued a Disciplinary Order suspending Utah attorney, Terry R. Spencer from practicing law in Idaho for a period of six months and one day. The Idaho Supreme Court's Order followed a stipulated resolution of an Idaho State Bar reciprocal disciplinary proceeding.

Mr. Spencer was admitted to practice law in Utah and Idaho. On February 12, 2020, the Utah court entered its final disciplinary order. The Utah disciplinary case involved two client matters. In the first client matter, the Utah court found that Mr. Spencer misrepresented the amount owed him by his client and attempted to collect it from his client or from the sale of property awarded to her in her divorce action. However, a substantial portion of the amount he sought to collect from his client was not her obligation to pay because it was an obligation of another party to pay. The Utah court found Mr. Spencer violated Utah Rules of Professional Conduct 1.5(a) [Unreasonable fees] and 8.4(c) [Conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation].

In the second client matter, the Utah court found that Mr. Spencer was counsel in two different district court cases and did not inform one district court judge about relevant orders that had been entered by a district court judge in a different district. The Utah court found the failure to mention the other order affected his client's marital home and violated Utah Rule of Professional Conduct 8.4(c).

Mr. Spencer had not practiced in Idaho since his Idaho license became inactive on March 2, 2020. However, on May 19, 2020, his inactive license was canceled by the Idaho Supreme Court for MCLE noncompliance. The Disciplinary Order provides that Mr. Spencer's suspension is retroactive to May 19, 2020 and lasts until November 20,

2020. The Order also provides that Mr. Spencer's reinstatement to inactive status under I.B.C.R. 518(d) will occur once he provides confirmed notice of reinstatement or readmission in Utah.

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