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OFFICE OF LAWYER REGULATION V. JACOBSON

July 10, 2026

The Court, by its Commissioners, has entered the following order:

On April 29, 2026, the referee in this matter, Referee David A. Piehler, filed his report and recommendation in this disciplinary proceeding. On June 30, 2026, the respondent, Attorney Richard B. Jacobson, filed a "Motion for Leave to File Response to Referee's Recommendation." The motion asserts that "[t]here is reason to believe that the [Referee's] Report contains some errors of fact which cold [sic] effect the outcome of this case." It therefore appears that Attorney Jacobson wishes to challenge certain of the referee's factual findings.

The motion to file a "response" to the referee's report will be denied. A party who wishes to challenge a referee's findings of fact, conclusions of law, or recommendation as to sanction may file a notice of appeal within 20 days of the filing of the referee's report. Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 22.17(1) ("Within 20 days after the filing of the referee's report, the director or the respondent may file with the supreme court an appeal from the referee's report."). This court's rules do not provide for the filing of a "response" to a referee's report outside of filing an appeal. Attorney Jacobson, however, did not file a notice of appeal. In addition, his current motion will not be construed as a notice of appeal because it was not filed within 20 days of the April 29, 2026 filing of the referee's report. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the motion for leave to file a response to the referee's report is denied.

Samuel A. Christensen
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