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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following order:

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No. 2025XX743-DOffice of Lawyer Regulation v. Guy K. Fish

On April 22, 2025, the Office of Lawyer Regulation (OLR) filed a notice of motion and motion for temporary suspension of Attorney Guy K. Fish's license to practice law in Wisconsin, along with a supporting affidavit, and requested that this court issue an order requiring Attorney Fish to show cause why his license to practice law should not be temporarily suspended pursuant to Supreme Court Rule (SCR) 22.21. The OLR stated the grounds for the motion are that Attorney Fish is the subject of two pending disciplinary investigations relating to the theft or misuse of client funds. In the first matter, the OLR alleges that Attorney Fish admitted in open court that he converted almost \$100,000 of an estate's funds to his own use. The OLR is investigating allegations that Attorney Fish violated SCR 20:1.15(b)(1) (requiring client funds to be held in trust); SCR 20:8.4(c) (prohibiting attorneys from engaging in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation); and SCR 20:3.4(c) (prohibiting an attorney from knowingly disobeying an obligation under the rules of a tribunal). In the second matter, Attorney Fish is alleged to have converted more than \$195,000 in real estate closing proceeds, resulting in the client in that matter commencing a civil lawsuit against Attorney Fish for theft and conversion. The OLR is investigation allegations that this conduct violated SCR 20:1.15(b)(1); SCR 1.15(e)(1) (prompt notice and delivery of property); and SCR 20:8.4(c). The OLR alleges that based on these

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allegations, Attorney Fish's continued practice of law "poses a threat to the interest of the public and the administration of justice" within the meaning of SCR 22.21(1).

On April 28, 2025, this court issued an order to show cause, which directed Attorney Fish to file a response, in writing, within 20 days of the date of the order and explain why the court should not grant the OLR's motion for temporary suspension.

On May 23, 2025, Attorney Fish filed a response to the OLR's motion and to the order. Attorney Fish's response does not dispute the factual allegations in the OLR's filing. Indeed, Attorney Fish indicates that he was able to "fully monetarily redeem" the estate in the first matter and has "resolve[d] and settle[d]" the lawsuit in the second matter. Likewise, Attorney Fish does not dispute that the factual allegations satisfy the legal standard for temporary suspension of his license under SCR 22.21(1). Instead, Attorney Fish opposes the requested temporary suspension, indicating that he has decided to retire "with eternal remorse and everlasting shame." Attorney Fish asserts that he is in the process of winding up his practice and that that it would be "very difficult and probably more expensive, if not impossible" to wind up affairs if his license was suspended. He requests that the OLR's motion be denied.

On May 29, 2025, the OLR filed a reply to Attorney Fish's response. The OLR states that Attorney Fish's decision to retire does not require an active law license and that a temporary suspension would not prevent Attorney Fish from winding-up his practice. The OLR states that a temporary suspension is necessary to protect the public from any further misconduct that Attorney Fish could commit.

Having considered the above filings,

IT IS ORDERED that the Office of Lawyer Regulation's motion to temporarily suspend Attorney Guy K. Fish's license to practice law pursuant to SCR 22.21 is granted;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the license of Attorney Guy K. Fish to practice law is temporarily suspended as of the date of this order and until further order of this court; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Attorney Guy K. Fish shall comply with the requirements of SCR 22.26 relating to license suspension pursuant to the dictates of that rule.

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Samuel A. Christensen  
Clerk of Supreme Court