SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

OFFICE OF LAWYER REGULATION

Public Reprimand With Consent

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Jeremey Campshure Attorney at Law

Attorney Jeremey Campshure was a staff attorney for the Wisconsin State Public Defender and represented a client charged with several felonies. Following a no contest plea Campshure's client was convicted on one count and the other counts were dismissed but read in. The court scheduled a date for the sentencing hearing and ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

At the sentencing hearing, Campshure appeared with his client. The court asked Campshure if he had discussed the pre-sentence report with his client and Campshure answered yes, even though he knew he had not done so. The court then asked the client if the client had discussed the pre-sentence report with Campshure and the client answered no. After the client and Campshure talked privately through an interpreter, Campshure stated, "Your Honor, it appears [the client] doesn't remember our last meeting, so I'm a little concerned about that." The court again asked Campshure, "So you-met with your-client, Mr.-Campshure, and went through the presentence report?" Campshure answered, "We did." Campshure informed the court he met with his client last week despite knowing he had not met with his client.

After the court asked the client if the client remembered meeting with Campshure in the jail the week prior, the client answered, "No. I hadn't seen him for two months." The court asked Campshure, "Okay. And, Mr. Campshure, you are saying that's just not true?" Campshure answered, "It's not. I mean, it wasn't -- I don't know. I --"

At that time, a man sitting in the courtroom addressed the court stating he had been ministering the client every week for two years and the client told him that no one had been to see the client the week prior. At that moment, Campshure stated to the court, "Your Honor, I do apologize. I think I had mixed up my files."

After an extended discussion, the court adjourned the sentencing hearing in order for Campshure to meet with his client to discuss the pre-sentence report. Campshure met with his client, discussed the pre-sentence report, and the client was sentenced at the adjourned sentencing hearing. Campshure apologized to the court and the court told him to report his conduct to SPD management, which he did. The SPD Local Attorney Manager instructed Campshure to report himself to OLR for a violation of SCR 20:3.3 – Candor toward the tribunal. Thereafter, Campshure self-reported his conduct to OLR.

By knowingly making a false statement to the court at the sentencing hearing that he had met with his client and discussed the pre-sentence report, Campshure violated SCR 20:3.3(a)(1), which states, "A lawyer shall not knowingly: (1) make a false statement of fact or law to a tribunal or fail to correct a false statement of material fact or law previously made to the tribunal by the lawyer."

Attorney Campshure has no prior discipline.

In accordance with SCR 22.09(3), Attorney Jeremey Campshure is hereby publicly reprimanded.

Dated this 3rd day of December 2024

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Referee Charles Barr