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Re: Public Reprimand with Consent of Atty. Michael Huitink

OLR Matter No. 2023MA1017

Dear Mr. Samuelson:

Enclosed please find the signed and dated Public Reprimand With Consent in respect to this matter. The case number needs to be filled in.

By copy of this letter, Atty. Dean Laing, counsel for Atty. Huitink, is receiving the signed document as well.

Yours very truly,

Hon. Jean A. DiMotto Supreme Court Referee

cc Atty. Dean Laing (w/ encl.)

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

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Public Reprimand With Consent

2024-OLR-____

Michael D. Huitink Attorney at Law

Michael D. Huitink (Huitink) was admitted to the practice of law in Wisconsin on September 29, 1999, State Bar No. 1034742.

On March 7, 2023, Huitink was charged with misdemeanor OWI (2nd) in *State v. Huitink*, Waukesha County case no. 23CT280.

On Friday, March 3, 2023, at approximately 4:05 p.m., a City of Brookfield Police Department officer was dispatched to a vehicle in a ditch on Gebhardt Road. Upon arrival, the officer observed Huitink standing outside of his vehicle. Huitink explained to the officer that he swerved to avoid hitting a squirrel and drove into the ditch on the south side of Gebhardt Road. Huitink stated he was traveling from the Milwaukee County courthouse to his residence in Menomonee Falls. The officer observed Huitink had slurred speech and a strong odor of intoxicants was emitting from his breath. Huitink denied consuming any alcoholic beverages or controlled substances on March 2, 2023 or March 3, 2023, and stated it had been approximately five weeks since he consumed an alcoholic beverage. Huitink showed clues of impairment while performing field sobriety tests. Huitink denied a preliminary breath test and was placed under arrest for OWI (2nd).

Huitink was then transported to a hospital where he agreed to submit to an evidentiary chemical test of his blood. The test was taken with a result of 0.232 g/100mL.

On July 17, 2023, pursuant to a guilty plea, Huitink was found guilty of OWI (2nd). The court sentenced Huitink to serve 150 days in jail beginning July 19, 2023, the first 30 days under Huber law with all standard release conditions and the last 120 days to be served through the Day Report Center. His sentence included driver's license revocation for 12 months, ignition interlock device installation for 12 months, submission to an AODA assessment, and payment of a fine and costs.

By engaging in conduct leading to a conviction of misdemeanor OWI (2nd) in *State v. Huitink*, Waukesha County case no. 23CT280, Huitink vice ted SCR 20:8.4(b), which states, "It is professional misconduct for a lawyer to...commit a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness or fitness as a lawyer in other respects."

In November 2019, Huitink was privately reprimanded for violating SCR 20:1.3, SCR 20:1.4(a)(3), and SCR 20:8.4(c).

In accordance with SCR 22.09(3), Attorney Michael D. Huitink is hereby publicly reprimanded.

Dated this 17 day of January

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

Jean DiMotto

Referee