In re Wolff, 5 ROP Intrm. 249 (1996) IN THE MATTER OF MARTIN WOLFF, Esq., Respondent.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING NO. 4-95

Supreme Court, Disciplinary Tribunal Republic of Palau

Order

Decided: July 12, 1996

On March 7, 1996, the Tribunal determined that Martin Wolff violated ROP Professional Conduct Rule 2(h) and Rule 4(d) of the American Bar Association Model Rules of Professional Conduct. A Master appointed by the Tribunal conducted a hearing and made findings of fact for the penalty phase. Disciplinary Counsel argued that Wolff should be disbarred. Disciplinary Counsel waived any right he may have to receive costs for his work in this matter.

On June 24, 1996, Wolff submitted his resignation from the Bar of the Republic of Palau. The Tribunal informed Wolff that it would not act on his tendered resignation until after the penalty for this matter had been determined. The Tribunal also informed Wolff that he had to respond to the Tribunal's Show Cause Order no later than July 9, 1996, and if he did not do so, the Tribunal would interpret the absence of a response as Wolff's consent to disbarment.

The Respondent has not filed a response to the Show Cause Order. The Tribunal also notes that Wolff did not appear for oral argument on the penalty phase, which was set for July 11, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. The Tribunal adopts the Master's findings of fact. Wolff has consented to disbarment. Accordingly, we reject the tendered resignation. It is ORDERED that the Respondent is DISBARRED and his name is stricken from the roll of attorneys licensed to practice in the Republic of Palau.

1 The Respondent shall pay the costs associated with publication of the notice of disbarment. *See* ROP Professional Conduct Rule 12(e).

¹ The Respondent still has the obligations imposed by ROP Professional Conduct Rule