

**IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU  
DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL**

In the Matter of

**DAVID F. SHADEL,**

Respondent.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING  
NO. 14-002

**NOTICE OF DISBARMENT**

Notice is hereby given that David F. Shadel, who is currently in private practice in Palau as a member of the Law Office of Kirk & Shadel, has been disbarred, effective June 28, 2015. He may not accept any new clients at this time and, as of June 28, 2015, may no longer practice law in the Republic of Palau. The disbarment is one of three types of sanctions issued by a specially appointed Disciplinary Tribunal. The Tribunal entered its disciplinary order on May 28, 2015. This notice of disbarment is required by Disciplinary Rule 12(e).

Mr. Shadel has been sanctioned due to violations of the Republic of Palau's Disciplinary Rules. He was charged with improper billing of attorney's fees to opposing debtors without authorization of the Court. From the time of May 28, 2015 to June 27, 2015, Mr. Shadel may complete on behalf of any client all matters pending, but he can accept no new retainers or representation.

The Disciplinary Rules are available on the Court's website at [www.palausupremecourt.net](http://www.palausupremecourt.net). A disbarred attorney shall promptly notify by registered or certified mail all clients being represented in pending matters. The attorney shall advise the clients to promptly seek legal assistance elsewhere. Notice must also be given to attorneys for adverse parties in those pending cases. If clients cannot find subsequent counsel prior to the effective date of disbarment, the disbarred attorney shall move, in the court or with the agency, for leave to withdraw.

A disbarred attorney can only be reinstated by order of a Disciplinary Tribunal at least two years after the effective date of disbarment. The disbarred attorney files a petition for reinstatement with the Chief Justice, who shall appoint a Disciplinary Tribunal and set the matter for hearing.