

NOTICE TO THE BAR

Re: Defaults Scheduled for Review by the Disciplinary Review Board

The following matters have been certified to the Disciplinary Review Board as defaults, in accordance with R. 1:20-4(f):

In the Matters of Franklin H. Barnes

Docket Nos. DRB 07-407 and 08-060

District Docket Nos. XIV-2006-453E; XIV-2006-0047E

In the Matter of Robert J. Kelley, Jr.

Docket No. DRB 08-019

District Docket No. XIV-2006-0526E

In the Matter of Richard W. Banas

Docket No. DRB 08-058

District Docket No. X-2007-0050E

In the Matter of Russell G. Cheek

Docket No. DRB 08-017

District Docket No. IIIA-2007-0008E

In the Matters of Henry A. Walsh, Jr.

Docket Nos. 08-018 and 08-049

District Docket Nos. IIIA-2007-0004E; XIV-2006-0276E

These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on **Thursday, April 17, 2008**. R.1:20-4(f) provides that an attorney-respondent's failure to timely file an answer "shall be deemed an admission that the allegations of the complaint are true and . . . provide sufficient basis for the imposition of discipline." Although chances for a successful motion are limited, a motion to vacate the default may be filed with the Board **by no later than April 7, 2008. MOTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD.** The motion should specify why the attorney-respondent failed to file a timely answer (including lack of notice) and should set forth any claimed meritorious defenses to the ethics charge. The motion must also be simultaneously served on the Director of the Office of Attorney Ethics and, where appropriate, the district ethics committee responsible for the underlying ethics matter. A certification regarding that service must accompany any documents filed with the Board.

Respondents may communicate with the Board by contacting the
Office of Board Counsel at:

P.O. Box 962, Trenton, NJ 08625, Telephone: 609-292-1012

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