

NOTICE TO THE BAR
DEFAULTS SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW
BY THE DISCIPLINARY REVIEW BOARD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026

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

In the Matter of Jaclyn Nayar

Docket No. DRB 25-270

District Docket No. VB-2025-0001E

In the Matter of Michael R. Speck

Docket No. DRB 25-295

District Docket Nos. XIV-2024-0377E and XIV-2024-0433E

In the Matter of David M. Schlachter

Docket No. DRB 25-311

District Docket No. XIV-2022-0232E

In the Matter of Michael C. Mone

Docket No. DRB 25-316

District Docket No. XIV-2025-0124E

These matters are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board on **Thursday, February 19, 2026**. R. 1:20-4(f) provides that an attorney-respondent's failure to timely file a conforming 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 **January 20, 2026**. MOTIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD. The motion should (1) specify why

the attorney-respondent failed to file a timely, conforming answer (including lack of notice), and (2) set forth any claimed meritorious defenses to the ethics charges. The motion also must 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.

Respondent is hereby advised that, generally, in a default matter, the discipline is enhanced to reflect a respondent's failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities as an aggravating factor. In re Kivler, 193 N.J. 332, 338 (2008).

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

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Dated: December 30, 2025

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