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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS

No. 17-BG-691

IN RE DOUGLAS A. KUBER, RESPONDENT.

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District of Columbia
Court of Appeals
Julio Castillo
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Clerk of Court

A Suspended Member of the Bar of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals
(Bar Registration No. 423238)

On Report and Recommendation
Of the Board on Professional Responsibility
(DDN 98-17)

(Decided June 7, 2018)

Before FISHER and BECKWITH, *Associate Judges*, and FARRELL, *Senior Judge*.

PER CURIAM: In this case, the Board on Professional Responsibility has recommended that respondent Douglas Kuber be disbarred from the practice of law after he pled guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud, a crime of moral turpitude. Neither respondent nor Disciplinary Counsel filed any exceptions to the Board's report. However, in response to a previously imposed suspension pursuant to D.C. Bar R. XI § 10 (c), respondent filed his D.C. Bar R. XI § 14 (g) affidavit on August 7, 2017.

Under D.C. Bar R. XI § 9 (h)(2), “if no exceptions are filed to the Board’s report, the [c]ourt will enter an order imposing the discipline recommended by the Board upon the expiration of the time permitted for filing exceptions.” *See also In re Viehe*, 762 A.2d 542, 543 (D.C. 2000) (“When . . . there are no exceptions to the Board’s report and recommendation, our deferential standard of review becomes even more deferential.”). We have previously held that both mail and wire fraud are *per se* crimes of moral turpitude. *See, e.g., In re Bryant*, 46 A.3d 402 (D.C. 2012). We have further held that a conviction for conspiracy to commit a crime of moral turpitude is a crime of moral turpitude. *See, e.g., In re Lickstein*, 972 A.2d 314, 316 (D.C. 2009). In this case, because respondent has been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude, the appropriate sanction is to disbar him from the practice of law. *See In re Colson*, 412 A.2d 1160, 1165 (D.C. 1979) (en banc).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Douglas A. Kuber is hereby disbarred from the practice of law, *nunc pro tunc* to August 7, 2017.

So ordered.