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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following order:

No. 2023XX2209-D Office of Lawyer Regulation v. Jerome J. Babiak

On November 29, 2023, the Office of Lawyer Regulation (OLR) filed a motion, supporting memorandum, and supporting affidavit seeking the summary suspension of the license of Attorney Jerome J. Babiak to practice law in Wisconsin, pursuant to SCR 22.20. The motion is based on Attorney Babiak's convictions for two counts of fourth-degree sexual assault. See State v. Babiak, Wood County Case No. 2023CM165.

On December 6, 2023, this court ordered Attorney Babiak to show cause, in writing, by December 27, 2023, why the OLR's motion should not be granted. On December 27, 2023, Attorney Babiak, through counsel, filed a response to the OLR's motion for summary suspension, along with an affidavit from his attorney and a letter from Attorney Babiak's current supervisor.

On January 17, 2024, the OLR filed a reply in support of its motion.

We have carefully considered this matter and we agree that Attorney Babiak's conduct and his resulting convictions for two counts of fourth-degree sexual assault reflect adversely on his fitness to practice law such that a summary suspension is appropriate here. See SCR 22.20(1) and (2). Accordingly,

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No. 2023XX1346-D

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IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted. The license of Attorney Jerome J. Babiak to practice law in this state is temporarily suspended as of the date of this order and until further notice of this court. He shall further comply with the requirements of SCR 22.26 relating to license suspension.

Samuel A. Christensen
Clerk of Supreme Court