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TAMARA CHARLES

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

DISTRICT OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

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IN RE:

GEORGE MORRIS ETHRIDGE, ESQ.)

ACTION FOR RECEIVERSHIP

ORDER APPOINTING RECEIVER

THIS MATTER is before the Court pursuant to a “Petition for the Appointment of a Receiver” filed by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel of the Virgin Islands Supreme Court, Tanisha Bailey-Roka, Esq. The Petitioner seeks the appointment of George Marshall Miller, Esq. as the receiver of the legal files and trust accounts of George Morris Ethridge, Esq., who died suddenly on June 25, 2021. Pursuant to Rule 207.24 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands, and upon consideration of the Petition, it is hereby

ORDERED that the Petition of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel is **GRANTED**, and it is further

ORDERED that George Marshall Miller, Esq. (hereinafter “Receiver”), is hereby appointed as the Receiver of the legal files and trust accounts of George Ethridge, Esq.; and it is further

ORDERED that such Receiver shall be deemed the attorney of the former clients of George Ethridge, Esq. for the purposes of the applicability of the attorney-client privilege and related doctrines; and it is further

ORDERED that the Receiver shall:

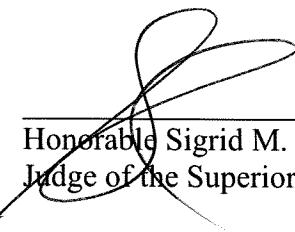
1. Gather all files, contact all clients, assist clients in obtaining substitute counsel and possession of their respective files;

2. Contact all opposing counsel and other interested parties to advise them of the circumstances where appropriate;
3. Seek extensions of time from the courts and opposing counsel or interested parties to permit the orderly completion of these tasks without prejudice to Attorney Ethridge's former clients; and
4. Perform such other tasks and services as the Receiver deems appropriate to protect the interests of said clients; and it is further

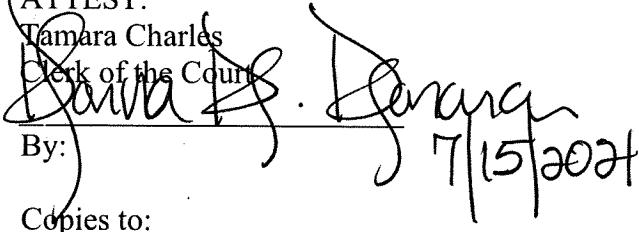
ORDERED that the Receiver shall secure Attorney Ethridge's trust accounts, and shall provide the Court with a proper accounting of the total of said funds on account with a proposed disbursement schedule of said funds; and it is finally

ORDRED that the Receiver shall be compensated for his service in this matter pursuant to Rule 207.24(c) as amended on July 2, 2021, and as approved by the Court.

DATED: July 14, 2021


Honorable Sigrid M. Tejo
Judge of the Superior Court

ATTEST:
Tamara Charles
Clerk of the Court

By: 

Copies to:

Justices of the Supreme Court
Judges of the Superior Court
Judges of the District Court
George Marshall Miller, Esq.,
Simon Francis, Esq., Chair of the Board on Professional Responsibility
Diane M. Russell, Esq., Vice-Chair of the Board on Professional Responsibility
Charlotte K. Perrell, President of the Virgin Islands Bar Association
Veronica J. Handy, Esq., Clerk of the Supreme Court
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