

People v. Richard C. Folk. 14PDJ105. April 10, 2015.

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' conditional admission of misconduct and suspended Richard C. Folk (Attorney Registration Number 44055) for two years, all but ninety days stayed pending the successful completion of a two-year period of probation. The suspension took effect April 10, 2015.

On November 13, 2014, the Illinois Supreme Court suspended Folk from the practice of law in Illinois for two years and until further order of that court. The suspension in Illinois was stayed after ninety days by a two-year period of probation, with conditions. Folk purchased 7.25 pounds of marijuana in California. On his return trip to Illinois, he was stopped by a police officer in Nevada. Folk was arrested after falsely denying that he had any controlled substances in his car. He was later found guilty of the misdemeanor offense of possession of marijuana. Through these actions, Folk committed a criminal act that reflects adversely on his honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer in other respects and engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation.

Folk's misconduct constitutes grounds for reciprocal discipline pursuant to C.R.C.P. 251.5 and 251.21, which calls for imposition of the same discipline as that imposed in Illinois.