

# Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC17-17

IN RE: SAUL CIMBLER V. MEDIATOR QUALIFICATIONS  
BOARD

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Saul Cimpler, a mediator, has submitted a “Notice of Appeal” to me as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida. This proceeding is before me pursuant to Rule 10.880 of the Florida Rules for Certified and Court-Appointed Mediators (Mediator Rules). Cimpler’s Notice of Appeal has been treated as a Notice of Review of Mediator Disciplinary Action. See Fla. R. Med. 10.880(b)(1).

On August 26, 2016, a hearing panel of the Mediator Qualifications Board (the Board) issued a “Decision Including Findings and Conclusions of the Panel,” finding Cimpler in violation of several Mediator Rules and imposing sanctions. On October 7, 2016, Cimpler submitted the instant notice of review.

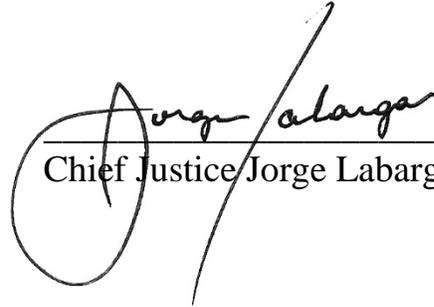
Mediator Rule 10.880(a) provides that “[a]ny mediator or applicant found to have committed a violation of these rules or otherwise sanctioned by a hearing panel shall have a right of review of that action. Review of this type shall be by

the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Florida or by the chief justice's designee." My jurisdiction as Chief Justice to review the Board's decision under this rule must be invoked within 30 days of the panel's decision. Fla. R. Med. 10.880(b). In this proceeding, the panel's decision is dated August 26, 2016. Cimble's notice of review was submitted more than thirty days later, on October 7, 2016. Accordingly, I hereby direct Saul Cimble to show cause on or before Friday, March 10, 2017, why this proceeding should not be dismissed as untimely. The Board shall serve a reply on or before Monday, March 20, 2017. The parties' responses shall address when Cimble was provided notice of the panel's decision, as well as when the panel's decision was final for purposes of seeking review in light of Cimble's motion for new trial, and the Dispute Resolution Center's motion to tax costs.

Cimble's "Motion to Determine Applicable Appellate Date" and "Motion for Additional Date in which to File Appellants Initial Brief" are denied. The Board's motion for an order to show cause is denied. I reserve ruling on Cimble's "Motion to Compel the DRC to Comply with Minimal Due Process Standards or in the alternative Writ of Mandamus to Compel the DRC to Comply with Minimal Due Process Standards" at this time. The Board's "Motion to Supplement the

Record with Order Taxing Costs Rendered December 8, 2016,” is granted. All other pending requests for relief are also denied.

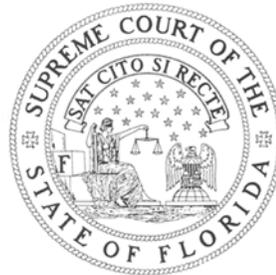
DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on February 23, 2017.

  
Chief Justice Jorge Labarga

ATTEST:



John A. Tomasino, Clerk of Court



Served:

SAUL CIMBLER  
SUSAN MARVIN  
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