

**STATE OF VERMONT  
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY PROGRAM**

**In re Thomas Melone  
PRB File No. 120-2025**

**ENTRY ORDER  
MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL TIME**

On or about January 20, 2026, the Respondent filed a motion with the Vermont Supreme Court seeking permission to take an interlocutory appeal of the Order of the Hearing Panel issued December 2, 2025. The Court issued a one paragraph Entry Order on February 6, 2026, which denied the motion. *See, In re Melone, 26-AP-024.*


On February 5, 2026, Respondent filed a “Second Motion for Permission to Appeal” with the Supreme Court.<sup>1</sup> On February 6, he filed a motion for additional time to answer the Petition for Misconduct. In the motion, Respondent requests that the deadline for the Answer to the Petition be extended until fourteen days after the Supreme Court decides the second motion for permission to appeal.

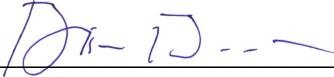
There is no reason to believe that the Court’s order resolving the “second motion” will be any different than the first. Accordingly, Respondent’s motion for additional time is *denied*.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2026,

Hearing Panel No. 2

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mimi Brill, Esq., Chair

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Alexander W. Shriver, Esq.

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Bannon, Public Member

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<sup>1</sup> Respondent represents that the “Second Motion” has been docketed by the Supreme Court as *In re Melone, 26-AP-052*.