SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 00-B-1940

IN RE: STEPHEN R. EDWARDS

ORDER

Considering the Joint Motion for Interim Suspension filed by respondent, Stephen R. Edwards, and the Office of Disciplinary Counsel,

IT IS ORDERED that Stephen R. Edwards be and he hereby is suspended from the practice of law on an interim basis pursuant to Supreme Court Rule XIX, § 19, pending further orders of this court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that necessary disciplinary proceedings be instituted in accordance with Supreme Court Rule XIX, §§ 11 and 19.

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, this __29____ day of June, 2000.

JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

Calogero, C.J., not on panel. Rule IV, Part II, § 3.