

Falls Church, Virginia 22041

File: D2005-072

Date: FEB - 2 2006

In re: VIRGINIA GAGO, ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

PETITION FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

ON BEHALF OF GENERAL COUNSEL: Jennifer J. Barnes, Esquire

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Rachel A. McCarthy, Associate Ethics Officer

ORDER:

PER CURIAM. On December 13, 2005, the respondent pled guilty to petit larceny in the District Court of Nassau County-Hempstead, New York.

Consequently, the Office of the Chief Counsel at the Department of Homeland Security office in Burlington, Vermont, filed a Petition for Immediate Suspension with the Board on December 30, 2005. On January 12, 2005, the Office of General Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review initiated disciplinary proceedings against the respondent and petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Immigration Courts, in addition to the suspension from practice *before the DHS* being sought by the DHS in their Petition for Immediate Suspension filed December 30, 2005.

The petition is granted, and the respondent is hereby suspended, absent a showing of good cause, from representing aliens before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. *See* 8 C.F.R. § 1003.103(a).

Accordingly, the respondent is directed to promptly notify, in writing, any clients with cases currently pending before the Board, the Immigration Courts, or the DHS that the respondent has been suspended from practicing before these bodies. The respondent shall maintain records to evidence compliance with this order. Moreover, we direct that the contents of this notice be made available to the public, including at Immigration Courts and appropriate offices of the DHS.



FOR THE BOARD