

People v. Katherine Dierdorf Mester. 19PDJ076. November 20, 2019.

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved a conditional admission of misconduct and imposed reciprocal discipline, suspending Katherine Dierdorf Mester (attorney registration number 49286) from the practice of law in Colorado for three years, effective November 20, 2019. Dierdorf Mester must petition for reinstatement and show by clear and convincing evidence that she has been rehabilitated, has complied with disciplinary orders and rules, is fit to practice law, and has been reinstated in Missouri.

This reciprocal discipline case arose out of discipline imposed by the Supreme Court of Missouri on August 29, 2019, indefinitely suspending Dierdorf Mester from the practice of law, with no leave to apply for reinstatement for three years. Dierdorf Mester was disciplined for multiple violations of the rules of professional conduct based on her dishonesty about and concealment of a brutal assault of a suspect in custody by a police detective and the charges resulting therefrom filed by her friend and co-assistant circuit attorney for the city of St. Louis.

Dierdorf Mester's misconduct constitutes grounds for reciprocal discipline under C.R.C.P. 251.5 and 251.21.

The case file is public per C.R.C.P. 251.31.