

People v. Stuart Adam Jay. 14PDJ030. May 13, 2014.

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' conditional admission of misconduct and suspended Stuart Adam Jay (Attorney Registration Number 34622) for six months with the requirement of reinstatement pursuant to C.R.C.P. 251.19(c). The suspension took effect May 13, 2014.

On November 13, 2013, Jay made a threatening the phone call to an Arizona Charles Schwab office because he was locked out of his wife's 401k account and wanted access. In the call, he made threats against the Denver Charles Schwab office, stating that if he did not gain access to his wife's account innocent people at the Denver office would be "hurt" and the office would be "gone." The Denver police dispatched two officers to Jay's residence. Jay answered the door holding a two-foot long antique bayonet. The officers drew their firearms and asked Jay to drop the sword. Jay complied and was taken to jail. Jay's lengthy struggle with depression, anxiety, and treatment for those conditions may have contributed to his misconduct.

Jay pleaded guilty to a charge of felony menacing, and on January 30, 2014, he was sentenced to two years deferred judgment and supervised probation. He timely self-reported his criminal conviction. Jay's conduct violated Colo. RPC 8.4(b), which prohibits a lawyer from committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer in other respects.