

**People v. Mark Thomas Thatcher. 20PDJo66. October 14, 2020.**

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' conditional admission of misconduct and disbarred Mark Thomas Thatcher (attorney registration number 25275). The disbarment took effect October 14, 2020.

In July 2020, Thatcher pleaded guilty to theft, a class-three felony. As part of his plea, Thatcher admitted that between April 2015 and January 2019 he unlawfully, feloniously, and knowingly took money belonging to a company and an investor group, and that he knowingly used, concealed, or abandoned a thing of value so as to permanently deprive the company and investor group of its use or benefit. In his criminal case Thatcher agreed to a ten-year probationary sentence, which includes payment of \$400,000.00 in restitution to the company. He failed to timely report his conviction to disciplinary authorities.

Through this conduct Thatcher violated Colo. RPC 8.4(b) (it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to commit a criminal act that reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer in other respects) and Colo. RPC 3.4(c) (a lawyer shall not knowingly disobey an obligation under the rules of a tribunal).

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