IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA

State of Neberaska ex rel. Nebraska State Bar Association,	DE COLOR
Relator,) No. 92-046
Lesli M. Walzak,) ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION.
Respondent.)

On the application of Michael D. Jones, Chair of the District Two Committee on Inquiry of the Nebraska State Bar Association, for the temporary suspension of Lesli M. Walzak, respondent, from the practice of law until final disposition of pending disciplinary proceedings, the Court finds:

- 1. By letter dated December 6, 1991 from James E. Keller, vice-president and general counsel of Aquila Energy, Ms. Walzak was charged with stealing by forgery three checks totalling \$17,883.97 and in furtherance of this scheme the respondent had prepared false and fraudulent minutes of a meeting of the board of directors naming her as treasurer of the corporation, which to date has resulted in a loss of approximately \$11,000 to the complainant.
- 2. That Dennis G. Carlson, Counsel for Discipline of the Nebraska State Bar Association, has reviewed the complaint of James E. Keller, and states that he had attempted to contact respondent, Lesli M. Walzak, but she has failed to respond to Mr. Carlson's letters or telephone calls, but that he had talked to one Douglas F. Pedigo who is employed as the senior attorney for the former employer of the respondent, who stated that Leslie M. Walzak had

admitted in his presence that the facts serving as the basis for the complaint were true and that she had in fact falsely forged endorsements on various checks and converted the funds to her own purpose.

- 3. That the conduct of the respondent, if allowed to continue until final disposition of disciplinary proceedings, would cause serious damage to the public and to the legal profession; and
- 4. That a temporary suspension of respondent is necessary to maintain the integrity and reputation of the bar of the state.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the respondent, Lesli M. Walzak, is temporarily suspended from the practice of law in the State of Nebraska until further order of the Court.

Dated this 22ndday of January, 1992.

BY THE COURT;

Chief Justice