

MOTION To DISBAR A COUNSELLOR.

LRSC 4; 1 LLR 506 (1873) (1 January 1873)

Monrovia, 17th January, 1873.

To the Honorable the Supreme Court of the Republic of Liberia,
Chief Justice C. L. Parsons Presiding:

The undersigned counsellors, members of the bar of the Supreme Court, most respectfully represent to this court that Henry W. Johnson, Sr., attorney at law, admitted a counsellor, and member of this Supreme Court bar, has, since the last meeting of this court, been convicted of felony, and is now, in law, a felon, and is unfit to associate with the gentlemen of this bar. We therefore motion the court that Henry Washington Johnson be expelled from this bar and his name stricken from the roll of counsellors. .

COURT'S RULING.

In the matter of the motion to disbar Counsellor H. W. Johnson, Sr., the court says that the gentlemen of the bar constitute, in a sense, a distinct corps, possessing certain privileges, and as such they have a right to motion the court to suspend any counsellor, whenever they consider it necessary to the honor of the court. Gentlemen of the bar could not inflict a wrong upon one of its members without being morally and legally responsible for the same.

Therefore the court rules that counsellor H. W. Johnson, Sr., be and he is hereby suspended from his privileges as a member of the bar of the Supreme Court until the charges against him be disposed.