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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION (By Consent)

Case No. 15-104-GA

Notice Issued: August 26, 2016

Matthew David Herman, P 74872, Grand Rapids, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Kent Hearing Panel #3.

- 1. Suspension 30 Days
- 2. Effective August 24, 2016

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed an amended stipulation for a consent order of discipline, in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. The amended stipulation contains respondent's admissions to the allegations contained in the formal complaint that respondent committed professional misconduct in his representation of a client in a criminal matter when he signed the assistant prosecuting attorney's name to a stipulation to adjourn a sentencing hearing for 45 days when he knew that he did not have the authority to do so.

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that respondent made a false statement of material fact or law to a tribunal, in violation of MRPC 3.3(a)(1); and knowingly made a false statement of material fact or law to a third person, in violation of MRPC 4.1. Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(4) and MRPC 8.4(a)-(c).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 30 days. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$764.13.

Mark A. Armitage

Dated: August 26, 2016