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NOTICE OF DISBARMENT

Case No. 14-117-GA

Notice Issued: February 13, 2017

Ali S. Zaidi, P 71435, Lewiston, New York, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #3.

Disbarred, Effective February 26, 2016.

Respondent was found to have engaged in the misconduct alleged in the formal complaint, which consisted of numerous instances where respondent had made false representations as to his education, employment history, and licensure as an attorney in other states prior to becoming licensed to practice in Michigan; misrepresentations on the website for his law firm, Great Lakes Law Group; and misrepresentations in his answer to a request for investigation. Specifically, the panel found that respondent failed to provide his correct address to the State Bar, as required by Rule 2 of the Rules Concerning the State Bar of Michigan; used a form of public communication that contained a material misrepresentation of fact or omitted a fact necessary to make the statement considered as a whole not materially misleading, in violation of MRPC 7.1(a); made knowing misrepresentations of facts or circumstances in his answer to the request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(6); and made misrepresentations in his answer to the request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.113(A). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(4); and MRPC 8.4(a) and (b).

The panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice of law in Michigan, effective February 26, 2016. Respondent filed a petition for review, along with a request for a stay of discipline. The Board denied respondent's request for a stay of discipline, and, upon review, affirmed the hearing panel's order of disbarment. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$2,493.40.

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