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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITIONS
(By Consent)

Case Nos. 16-31-AI; 16-38-JC

Notice Issued: September 21, 2016

Kelly D. Watson, P 58080, Redford, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #24.

1. Suspension - 179 Days
2. Effective March 3, 2016¹

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a 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 stipulation contained respondent's acknowledgment that he was convicted, by a plea of no contest, to one felony count of assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer and two misdemeanor counts of attempted assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer, in *People of the State of Michigan v Kelly David Watson*, Washtenaw County Trial Court Case No. 15-000760-FH. In accordance with MCR 9.120(B)(1), respondent's license to practice law in Michigan was automatically suspended on March 3, 2016, the date of his conviction.

Based on respondent's conviction and his acknowledgment in the stipulation, it was established that respondent engaged in conduct that violated the criminal laws of the State of Michigan, in violation of MCR 9.104(5).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 179 days. Additionally, the panel ordered that respondent be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$831.96.


Mark A. Armitage

Dated: September 21, 2016

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since March 3, 2016. Please see Notice of Automatic Interim Suspension issued March 23, 2016.