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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION
(By Consent)

Case No. 15-128-GA

Notice Issued: December 16, 2015

Marvin W. Smith, P 41281, Ferndale, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #51.

1. Suspension - 60 Days
2. Effective December 24, 2015

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. Based on respondent's admission, the hearing panel found that respondent failed to clearly communicate the rate or basis of his fee to his client before or within a reasonable time after commencing the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.5(b); collected a clearly excessive fee, in violation of MRPC 1.5(a); and violated or attempted to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct, in violation of MRPC 8.4(a).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 60 days, effective December 24, 2015, as stipulated by the parties. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,106.32.

Mark A. Armitage

Dated: DEC 16 2015