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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION (By Consent)

Case No. 14-110-GA

Notice Issued: March 16, 2015

Craig A. Aronoff, P 57997, Keego Harbor, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #55.

- 1. Suspension 30 Days
- 2. Effective March 14, 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. Respondent admitted that he was in default for failing to file an answer to the formal complaint and that the allegations in complaint are deemed to be admitted. Based on the default, the panel found that respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to him, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to seek his clients' lawful objective through reasonably available means permitted by law, in violation of MRPC 1.2(a); failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing his clients, in violation of MRPC 1.3; failed to adequately communicate with his clients, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a) and (b); failed to surrender papers and property to which his clients were entitled and failed to refund an unearned fee upon termination of the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d); failed to answer a request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7) and MCR 9.113(A) and (B)(2); and knowingly failed to respond to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority, in violation of MRPC 8.1(a)(2). The panel also found that respondent violated MRPC 8.4(a) and (c) and MCR 9.104(1)-(4).

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, effective March 14, 2015. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$798.39.

Wendy A. Meeley
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Dated: