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**NOTICE OF DISBARMENT AND RESTITUTION**

Case Nos. 14-46-GA; 14-47-JC

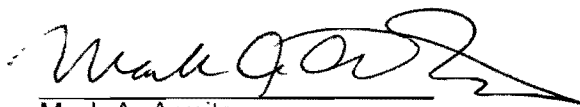
**Notice Issued: October 29, 2014**

Eric B. Dodson, P 63246, St. Ignace, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Emmet County Hearing Panel #1.

1. Disbarment
2. Effective October 22, 2014<sup>1</sup>

Respondent did not appear at the hearing and was found to be in default for failing to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on respondent's default, the hearing panel found that respondent, in six separate matters, neglected his clients' matters, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to seek his clients' lawful objectives, 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); and failed to refund unearned fees upon termination of the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d). In two of those matters, respondent knowingly disobeyed an obligation under the rules of a tribunal, in violation of MRPC 3.4(c); and, in the second of these two matters, respondent failed to provide competent representation to his client, in violation of MRPC 1.1; and failed to return documents belonging to the client upon termination of the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d). Additionally, respondent failed to respond to lawful demands for information from a disciplinary authority, in violation of MRPC 8.1(a)(2); and failed to timely answer a request for investigation, and failed to file answers to five other requests for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7) and MCR 9.113(B)(2). Finally, the panel found that respondent violated MRPC 8.4(a) and (c); and MCR 9.104(1)-(5)

The panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice of law in Michigan and that he pay restitution in the aggregate amount of \$9,408.60. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,817.18.

  
Mark A. Armitage

Dated: **OCT 29 2014**

<sup>1</sup> Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since October 24, 2013. Please see Notice of Suspension and Restitution, issued October 30, 2013.