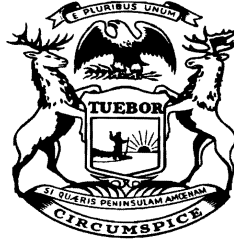


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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION

Case No. 14-30-GA

Notice Issued: August 6, 2014

Richard J. Quist, P 19169, Grand Rapids, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Kent County Hearing Panel #5.

1. Suspension - 180 Days
2. Effective August 1, 2014¹

Respondent did not appear at the hearing and was found to be in default for his failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on respondent's default, the hearing panel found that respondent undertook the representation of a client that was or could have been materially limited by the lawyer's own interests, in violation of MRPC 1.7(b); entered into a business transaction with a client or knowingly acquired an ownership, possessory security, or other pecuniary interest adverse to a client without fully disclosing and transmitting the transaction terms in a manner that can be reasonably understood, without giving the client a reasonable opportunity to seek the advice of independent counsel, and without having the client consent in writing thereto, in violation of MRPC 1.8(a); and knowingly disobeyed an obligation under the rules of a tribunal, in violation of MRPC 3.4(c). The panel also found that respondent's conduct violated MRPC 8.4(a)-(b); and MCR 9.104(2)-(4).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 180 days and that he pay restitution. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,696.76.


Mark A. Armitage

Dated: **AUG - 6 2014**

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since May 28, 2014. Please see Notice of Interim Suspension Pursuant to MCR 9.115(H)(1) issued May 28, 2014.