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## NOTICE OF SUSPENSION (By Consent)

Case No. 13-86-GA

Notice Issued: September 23, 2013

Bethany D. Gemellaro, P 74272, Novi, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #72.

- 1. Suspension - 30 Days
- 2. Effective September 20, 2013

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 plea of nolo contendere to the allegations contained in the formal complaint, the panel found that respondent, in a forfeiture matter, neglected the legal matter, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing her client, in violation of MRPC 1.3; and failed to keep her client reasonably informed about the status of the matter, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a). The panel also found that respondent violated MRPC 8.4(a) and (b); and MCR 9.104(2) and (3).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for 30 days. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$990.29.