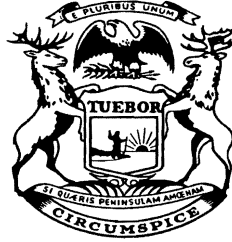


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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 10-113-GA

Notice Issued: March 25, 2013

Michael L. Stefani, P 20938, Royal Oak, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board, increasing Tri-County Hearing Panel #25's order of reprimand to a 30-day suspension.

1. Suspension - 30 Days (with credit given for 30 days)
2. Effective March 22, 2013

The hearing panel found that statements made or omitted by respondent in the course of settlement negotiations violated MRPC 4.1, 8.4(a)-(c); and MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4). The panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded.

The Grievance Administrator filed a petition for review, seeking an increase in discipline, and respondent filed a cross-petition. The Board conducted review proceedings and, on February 21, 2013, issued its order increasing discipline from a reprimand to a 30-day suspension of respondent's license to practice law in Michigan. However, the Board also ordered that respondent be given credit for the 30-day suspension ordered in a related matter, *Grievance Administrator v Michael L. Stefani*, Case No. 09-47-GA, and served by respondent between January 1, 2012, and February 7, 2012.¹ Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$3,650.00.

John F. Van Bolt

MAR 25 2013

Dated: _____

¹ The Board, in *Grievance Administrator v Michael L. Stefani*, Case No. 09-47-GA, ordered that the reprimand ordered by the hearing panel be increased to a 30-day suspension, which commenced January 1, 2012. Respondent was automatically reinstated to the practice of law on February 7, 2012, upon the filing of his affidavit of compliance in accordance with MCR 9.123(A) with the Michigan Supreme Court..