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FINAL NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 11-24-GA

Notice Issued: November 20, 2014

Daniel L. Mercier, P 72620, Troy, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board reducing discipline from disbarment to a three-year suspension.

1. Suspension - 3 Years
2. Effective April 15, 2013¹

Based upon respondent's admissions in his answer to the first amended complaint and his answers placed on the record, the hearing panel found that respondent had failed, as an applicant for admission to the bar, to inform the standing committee on character and fitness, in writing, that his answers in his affidavit of personal history had changed and/or ceased to be true, in violation of MRPC 8.1(b)(2); violated or attempted to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct, contrary to MRPC 8.4(a); and engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or violation of the criminal law, where such conduct reflects adversely on the lawyer's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer, in violation of MRPC 8.4(b).

The panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice law in Michigan, effective February 13, 2013. Respondent filed a petition for review, along with a request for a temporary stay of discipline. On February 11, 2013, the Attorney Discipline Board granted respondent's request for a temporary stay of discipline and ordered that respondent's disbarment would go into effect on April 15, 2013. On March 28, 2013, respondent filed a motion for final stay of discipline, which was denied by the Attorney Discipline Board on April 4, 2013, and respondent's disbarment became effective on April 15, 2013.

The matter was scheduled for review and, upon review, the Attorney Discipline Board issued an order on April 3, 2014, reducing the discipline from a disbarment to a three-year suspension. On May 1, 2014, respondent filed an application for leave to appeal with the Michigan Supreme Court, which was denied on October 28, 2014. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$3,827.81.

Mark A. Armitage

Dated: NOV 20 2014

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since April 15, 2013. Please see Notice of Disbarment (Pending Appeal) which was issued on June 18, 2013.