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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND AND RESTITUTION (By Consent)

Case No. 11-134-GA

Notice Issued: November 7, 2012

R. Timothy Kohler, P 23517, Clinton Township, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #106.

- 1. Reprimand
- 2. Effective November 6, 2012

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator submitted a stipulation for consent order of discipline in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5). The stipulation was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and was accepted by the hearing panel. The stipulation contains respondent's plea of no contest to the allegations that respondent committed professional misconduct by neglecting his client's matter, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c), failed to seek the lawful objectives of his client, in violation of MRPC 1 2(a), failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness, in violation of MRPC 13; failed to keep his client reasonably informed about the status of his matter, in violation of MRPC 1 4(a); failed to explain the matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.4(b); failed to refund any unearned advance payment of the fee upon termination, in violation of MRPC 116(d); engaged in conduct that is a violation of the Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct, contrary to MRPC 84(a) and MCR 9 104(4), formerly MCR 9.104(A)(4); engaged in conduct that exposes the legal profession or the courts to obloquy, contempt, censure, or reproach, in violation of MCR 9.104(2), formerly MCR 9.104(A)(2); and engaged in conduct that is contrary to justice, ethics, honesty or good morals, in violation of MCR 9.104(3), formerly MCR 9.104(A)(3).

The stipulation was approved by the hearing panel and, in accordance with the agreement of the parties, the panel ordered that the respondent be reprimanded and pay restitution in the amount of \$1,550.00. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$964.31.

John F. Van/Bolt

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