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FINAL NOTICE OF DISBARMENT

Case No. 11-56-GA

Notice Issued: May 21, 2013

John B. Lygizos, P 27934, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1. Disbarment
- 2. Effective March 1, 2012¹

Respondent filed an answer the formal complaint and appeared at the public hearings. At the conclusion of those hearings, the panel found that respondent, as personal representative of a probate estate, misappropriated monies from the estate for his personal use. Respondent's conduct was in violation of MRPC 1.15(d) - failure to hold property of his client or a third party in connection with a representation separate from the lawyer's own property; MRPC 8.4(b) - engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit; MCR 9.104(A)(1) and MRPC 8.4(c) - engaged in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice; MCR 9.104(A)(2) - engaged in conduct that exposes the legal profession or the courts to obloquy, contempt, censure or reproach; MCR 9.104(A)(3) - engaged in conduct that is contrary to justice, ethics, honesty or good morals); and MCR 9.104(A)(4) and MRPC 8.4(a) - engaged in conduct that violated the standards or rules of professional responsibility adopted by the Supreme Court.

The hearing panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice of law in Michigan. Respondent filed a petition for review and a request for a stay of discipline. The Attorney Discipline Board granted respondent a temporary stay of discipline for 30 days and modified the effective date of disbarment to commence March 1, 2012.

The Attorney Discipline Board, upon review, affirmed the hearing panel's order of disbarment. Respondent filed an application for leave to appeal with the Michigan Supreme Court, which was denied on November 20, 2012. Respondent subsequently filed a Motion for Reconsideration of the Court's denial of his application for leave to appeal, which was denied by the Supreme Court on April 29, 2013. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$3,734.66.

John F. Van Bolt

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¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since March 1, 2012. Please see Notice of Disbarment (Pending Appeal) issued March 1, 2012.