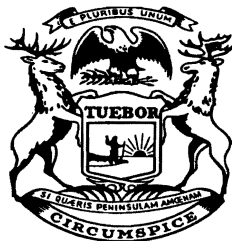


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NOTICE OF AUTOMATIC INTERIM SUSPENSION

Case No. 11-76-AI

Notice Issued: January 4, 2012

John A. Watts, P 22048, Allegan, Michigan

Effective May 25, 2011¹

Respondent pleaded no contest to one count of Embezzlement - Agent or Trustee \$1,000.00 or More But Less Than \$20,000.00, a felony, in violation of MCL 750.174(4)(a). In accordance with MCR 9.120(B)(1), respondent's license to practice law in Michigan is suspended effective May 25, 2011, the date of his felony conviction.

The interim suspension will remain in effect until the effective date of an order filed by a hearing panel.



John F. Van Bolt

Dated: _____

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¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since August 1, 2010. Please see Notice of Suspension and Restitution (By Consent), issued August 19, 2010.