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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION WITH CONDITION

Case No. 10-21-GA

Notice Issued: July 30, 2010

Daniel E. Hunter, P 56222, Ypsilanti, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1. Suspension 270 Days
- 2. Effective July 30, 2010

The respondent did not appear at the hearing and was found to be in default for his failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on that default, the panel found that respondent in a paternity and child support matter, neglected the legal matter; failed to act with reasonable diligence; failed to keep his client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and comply promptly with reasonable requests for information; charged and collected a clearly excessive fee; failed to deposit legal fees paid in advance into a client trust account; failed to refund advanced unearned legal fees upon termination of representation; failed to file a timely answer to a request for investigation; and failed to respond to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority. In a divorce matter, respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to him; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing his client; failed to keep his client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and comply promptly with reasonable requests for information; failed to make reasonable efforts to expedite litigation consistent with the interests of the client; and knowingly disobeyed an obligation under the rules of a tribunal.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1) and (2); MCR 9.1 13(B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.5; 1.15(g); 1.16(d); 3.2; 3.4(c); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(c).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 270 days and that he pay restitution in the amount of \$1,000.00. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,937.51.

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Dated: