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## NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITION (By Consent)

Case No. 09-113-GA

## Notice Issued: July 14, 2010

Lauren M. Underwood, P 45415, Bingham Farms, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #80.

- 1. Suspension 180 Days
- 2. Effective July 15, 2010

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline, in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), containing respondent's plea of no contest to the allegations that neglected her clients' legal matters; failed to seek the lawful objectives of her clients; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing her clients; failed to communicate with her clients regarding the status of their legal matters and responding to her clients' requests for information; failed to communicate with her clients to the extent reasonably necessary for her clients to make informed decisions regarding the representation; provided financial assistance to her clients in connection with pending or contemplated litigation; knowingly revealed a confidence or secret of her clients; made knowing misrepresentations of facts or circumstances surrounding a request for investigation; and knowingly failed to respond to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(2)-(4) and (7); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a) and (b); 1.6(b)(1); 1.8(e); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(a) and (b).

The parties agreed that respondent should be suspended for 180 days and be subject to a condition relevant to the alleged misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,826.51.

John F. Van Bolt

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