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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND (By Consent)

Case No. 09-39-GA

Notice Issued: December 10, 2009

John E. Berry, P 34268, Lake Linden, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Upper Peninsula County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1. Reprimand
- 2. Effective December 10, 2009

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5) which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. Respondent pled no contest to the allegations that he handled a legal matter without preparation adequate in the circumstances; neglected a legal matter entrusted to him; failed to seek the client's lawful objectives through reasonably available means permitted by law; and failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client, in violation of Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(b) and (c); 1.2(a); and 1.3.

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$763.73.

John F. Van Bolt

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