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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND AND RESTITUTION (By Consent)

Case No. 08-92-GA

Notice Issued: February 11, 2009

Rory D. Mortimer, P 40341, Alpena, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Otsego County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1. Reprimand
- 2. Effective February 5, 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, in a civil suit, he neglected the matter; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness; failed to keep his clients reasonably informed about the status of the matter; failed to withdraw from the representation of his clients: failed to take reasonable steps to protect his clients' interests upon termination of representation; and failed to return papers and property to his clients upon termination of representation, in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.16(a)(3) and (d); and 8.4(a) and (c).

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded and pay restitution in the amount of \$8,123.26. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1.010.20.

John F. Van Bolt

February 11, 2009

Dated: