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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 08-7-GA

Notice Issued: April 5, 2010

Robert E. Jones, P 31661, Allen Park, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #21.

- 1. Suspension 24 Months
- 2. Effective December 11, 2008¹

On November 19, 2008, the hearing panel ordered the suspension of respondent's license to practice law in Michigan for a period of two years, commencing December 11, 2008, in *Grievance Administrator v Robert E. Jones*, ADB Case No. 08-135-RD. Because the reciprocal discipline proceeding was consolidated with this matter, the order of suspension was entered on an interim basis pending the panel's decision on the charges of misconduct in *Grievance Administrator v Robert E. Jones*, ADB Case No. 08-07-GA, and, if applicable, the panel's determination of an appropriate sanction for the misconduct charged in that case.

In Grievance Administrator v Robert E. Jones, ADB Case No. 08-07-GA, the panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct by engaging in the "unauthorized practice of law," during a suspension in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan; violated a rule or obligation of a tribunal; held himself out as authorized to practice law in federal court when he was not so authorized; and commingled trust funds with his personal funds. Respondent's conduct was in violation of U.S. District Court, Eastern District Local Rule 83.20(i); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15(d); 3.4(c); 5.5(a); 8.4(b) and (c).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for 24 months, to run concurrently with the suspension ordered in *Grievance Administrator v Robert E. Jones*, ADB Case No. 08-135-RD. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$2,432.30.

John F. Van Bolt

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¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since December 11, 2008. Please see Notice of Suspension issued December 15, 2008, in *Grievance Administrator v Robert E. Jones*, ADB Case No. 08-135-RD.