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**NOTICE OF AUTOMATIC REINSTATEMENT**

Case No: 07-78-GA

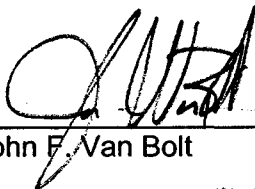
**Notice Issued: April 7, 2008**

John F. Mertz, P 25200, Lansing, Michigan.

Effective March 26, 2008

Respondent was suspended from the practice of law in Michigan for 60 days effective January 17, 2008. Respondent's automatic reinstatement to the practice of law was conditioned upon the payment of restitution. On March 26, 2008, in accordance with MCR 9.123(A), respondent filed an affidavit with the clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court stating that he was in compliance with the hearing panel's order. The Grievance Administrator filed an objection to respondent's automatic reinstatement, citing non-compliance with the restitution provision of the hearing panel's order.

The Grievance Administrator's objections were withdrawn on April 3, 2008, upon confirmation that the restitution had been paid. Respondent's suspension is terminated, nunc pro tunc, and his automatic reinstatement to the practice of law in Michigan is deemed to be effective March 26, 2008, the date he filed his affidavit of compliance with the clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court.



John F. Van Bolt

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_