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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION WITH CONDITIONS
(Pending Appeal)

Case No: 07-133-GA

Notice Issued: March 11, 2008

Barbara E. Maurer, P 41925, Midland, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Tri-Valley Hearing Panel #3.

1. Suspension - 45 Days
2. Effective March 11, 2008

The respondent appeared at the hearing but was found to be in default for her failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on that default, the panel found that respondent neglected three matters; failed to seek the lawful objectives of her client; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness; failed to keep her clients reasonably informed about the status of their matters; failed to hold property of her clients or third persons separate from her own and in an IOLTA; failed to promptly deliver funds to a third party; misappropriated client or third-party funds; failed to refund an unearned fee; charged an excessive fee for closing a file; knowingly failed to respond to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority; and failed to answer three requests for information.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)(4) and (7); MCR 9.113(A); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.15(a)-(d); 1.16(d); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(a)-(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 45 days and that she pay restitution in the aggregate amount of \$3,300.00. The panel also ordered that respondent shall be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct.

The Grievance Administrator filed a timely petition for review which will be scheduled for hearing before the Board.

John F. Van Bolt

Dated: **MAR 11 2008**