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**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

Case Nos. 07-68-GA; 07-76-FA

**Notice Issued: October 30, 2007**

Edrick T. Thompson, P 63870, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #21

1. Suspension - 30 Days
2. Effective October 23, 2007

The respondent appeared at the hearing but was found to be in default for his failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on that default, the panel found that respondent had committed the professional misconduct alleged in the formal complaint. Specifically, respondent, in a civil proceeding, failed to communicate the basis of his fee to the client within a reasonable time; failed to reduce his contingent fee arrangement to writing; and failed to render a full accounting of the funds received from the defendant. Additionally, in a post-judgment divorce matter, respondent neglected the matter; failed to seek his client's lawful objective through reasonably available means; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness; failed to keep his client reasonably informed about the status of her matter; and failed to take reasonable steps to protect his client's interests upon termination of the representation. Finally, respondent failed to file an answer to a request for investigation served upon him by the Grievance Administrator.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4) and (7); 9.113(A) and (B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.5(b) and (c); 1.15(b)(3); 1.16(d); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(a) and (c).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 30 days and that he be subject to a condition relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,167.90.

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John F. Van Bolt

Dated: OCT 30 2007