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NOTICE OF PROBATION WITH CONDITIONS
(By Consent)

Case Nos . 06-99-GA; 06-94-GA; 07-40-GA

Notice Issued: August 22, 2007


Brian C. Casterline, P 57723, Farmington Hills, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #56.

1. Probation - 2 Years
2. Effective August 22, 2007

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 admitted that he failed to answer six requests for investigation and pled no contest to the allegations that he handled two legal matters which he knew, or should have known, he was not competent to handle; handled two legal matters without adequate preparation in the circumstances; neglected seven legal matters; failed to keep his clients reasonably informed about the status of those matters; failed to refund any advance payment of fees that had not been earned in four matters; failed to respond to seven lawful demands for information from the Grievance Administrator; engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation; knowingly engaged in conduct that exposes the legal profession obloquy, contempt, censure or reproach; and engaged in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice.

Respondent committed professional misconduct in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(7); MCR 9.113(B)(2); and Michigan Rule of Professional Conduct 8.1(a)(2), and was charged with violations of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(a)-(c); 1.3; 1.4(a) and (b); 1.16(d); and 8.4(a)-(c).

The parties stipulated to the entry of an order placing respondent on probation for two years with conditions relevant to the admitted and alleged misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$975.50.



John F. Van Bolt

Dated: **AUG 22 2007**