NOTICE OF REPRIMAND (By Consent)

Case No. 01-55-GA

Notice Issued: January 25, 2007

Geoffrey N. Fieger, P 30441, Southfield, Michigan by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #101.

- 1. Reprimand
- 2. Effective January 18, 2007

On January 9, 2004, the hearing panel entered an order of reprimand based upon respondent's conditional plea of no contest to allegations in a formal complaint that during radio broadcasts on August 23, 1999 and August 25, 1999, he made statements and comments regarding three members of the Michigan Court of Appeals which were undignified or discourteous toward a tribunal in violation of Michigan Rule of Professional Conduct 3.5(c) and constituted a failure to treat persons involved in the legal process with courtesy and respect, in violation of Michigan Rule of Professional Conduct 6.5(a).

With the approval of the Attorney Grievance Commission, the Grievance Administrator and respondent stipulated to the entry of an order of reprimand subject to respondent's right to appeal the entry of that order based upon his claim that the rules of professional conduct allegedly violated are unconstitutional or inapplicable to the facts as alleged.

Following review proceedings conducted under MCR 9.118, the Attorney Discipline Board entered an order and opinion on November 8, 2004 dismissing the formal complaint. Upon consideration of the Grievance Administrator's application for leave to appeal, the Michigan Supreme Court entered an order of remand on December 27, 2006, reversing the Board's decision and remanding for further proceedings in conformity with the Court's opinion entered July 31, 2006. See <u>Grievance Administrator v Fieger</u>, 476 Mich 231 (2006). As directed in the order of remand, the Board entered the previously agreed-to order of reprimand on January 18, 2007. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$697.04.