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AMENDED NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION (By Consent)

Case No. 06-29-GA

Notice Issued: March 7, 2007

Mark C. Burger, P 40856, Port Huron, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board St. Clair County Hearing Panel #2.

- 1. Suspension 180 Days
- 2. Effective January 3, 2007

The Grievance Administrator filed a 19 count complaint which charged that respondent neglected legal matters entrusted to him by 19 clients; failed to return an unearned fee in 14 matters; failed to deposit an advanced fee into a client trust account; and, in one matter, represented to a client that court dates in her bankruptcy matter were adjourned when, in fact, he had not filed a bankruptcy petition on the client's behalf.

In accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), the Attorney Grievance Commission and a hearing panel approved a stipulation for consent discipline submitted by the Grievance Administrator and the respondent containing the respondent's plea of no contest to the charges of misconduct in the formal complaint, with the exception of one allegation that respondent failed to return an unearned fee. The parties further stipulated that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan should be suspended for 180 days; that he pay restitution to former clients in the aggregate amount of \$9,254.00; and that, in the event of his reinstatement to the practice of law, he shall be subject to a two-year period of probation with conditions subject to the established misconduct.

In accepting the stipulation for consent discipline, the hearing panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct in violation of Michigan Court Rule 9.104(A)(1)-(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a) and (b); 1.15(a) [recently amended to 1.15(g)]; 1.16(d); and 8.4(a)-(c).

Upon consideration of respondent's subsequent motion filed under MCR 9.128(A), the Attorney Discipline Board ordered that actual costs be assessed in the amount of \$6.56.

John F. Van Bolt MAR - 7 2007 Dated:

