

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITION

Case Nos. 05-119-GA; 05-131-FA

Notice Issued: April 28, 2006

Brent W. Schindler, P 39709, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-Valley County Hearing Panel #1.

1. Suspension - 9 Months
2. Effective April 26, 2006

The respondent 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, while suspended from the practice of law for non-payment of bar dues, practiced as an attorney by appearing for a preliminary examination. Respondent made representations to the court that his bar dues had been paid, but was unable to provide proof within the time frame specified by the court. Additionally, respondent did not pay his bar dues until four days after he appeared for the preliminary examination. Finally, respondent failed to timely answer a request for investigation and the formal complaint served upon him by the Grievance Administrator; and made a misrepresentation in his answer to the request for investigation that he had contacted the court on the date specified by the court.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4), (6), and (7); MCR 9.113(A) and (B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 3.3(a); 3.4(c); 5.5(a); 8.1(a)(1) and(2); and 8.4(a)-(c). The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice in Michigan be suspended for nine months and assessed costs in the amount of \$1,888.13.