

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITIONS**  
**(Pending Appeal)**

Case No. 05-12-GA

**Notice Issued: January 12, 2006**

Farzad A. Farshidmehr, P 47405, Alpena, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board  
Otsego County Hearing Panel #1.

1. Suspension - 175 Days
2. Effective January 5, 2006

The panel found that respondent failed to deposit client funds, in the aggregate amount of \$8,705.50, into his IOLTA account; misappropriated \$7,205.50 of those funds before they were earned; and failed to adequately supervise his secretary when he ordered her to spend \$7,205.50 to pay respondent's personal and business expenses before the sums were earned. The panel also found that respondent, in his answer to the Grievance Administrator's request for investigation, made a false statement that the \$7,205.50 was deposited into his IOLTA account; and that he directed his secretary to file a false affidavit in support of this statement. Finally, based on respondent's admissions, the panel found that respondent's dues invoice contained information that was untrue.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4) and (6); MCR 9.113(A); Rules Concerning the State Bar, Rule 2; and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15(a), (b) and (d)(2); 5.3(b) and (c)(1); 8.1(a)(1); and 8.4(a)-(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice be suspended for 175 days and that he be subject to certain conditions relevant to the established misconduct.

On January 3, 2006, the Grievance Administrator filed a timely conditional petition for review which has been scheduled for hearing before the Attorney Discipline Board on March 16, 2006.