

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION WITH CONDITION**  
**(By Consent)**

Case No. 04-150-GA

**Notice Issued: May 4, 2005**

Cathy Rice Lewis, P 51372, Southfield, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board  
Tri-County Hearing Panel #70.

1. Suspension - 60 Days
2. Effective May 4, 2005

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline containing respondent's admission that, in a criminal appeal matter, she failed to provide competent representation; neglected the matter; failed to expedite litigation; and failed to act with reasonable promptness and diligence. In a personal injury matter, respondent admitted that she commingled client funds; and issued checks from her IOLTA account in payment of personal expenses. Respondent further admitted that her conduct was prejudicial to the administration of justice; exposed the legal profession or the courts to obloquy, contempt, censure, or reproach; and was contrary to justice.

Respondent's misconduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(a) and (c); 1.3; 1.15(a); 3.2; and 8.4(a) and (c).

The parties agreed that respondent should be suspended for 60 days and that she pay restitution in the amount of \$2,500.00 and be subject to a condition relevant to the admitted misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,025.64.