NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION WITH CONDITIONS

Case No. 04-51-GA

Notice Issued: March 11, 2005

William F. Carson, P 30900, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #81.

- 1. Suspension 180 Days
- 2. Effective March 10, 2005

Respondent appeared at the public hearing but was found to be in default for his failure to file an answer to the formal complaint. Based on his default, the panel found that respondent, in a collection matter, abandoned his client's matter; failed to refund the unused portion of his fee; and failed to answer a request for investigation served by the Grievance Administrator.

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4) and (7); MCR 9.113(A) and (B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.16(d); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(a) and (c). The hearing panel ordered that respondent be suspended for 180 days with conditions relative to the established misconduct. The panel further ordered that respondent pay restitution in the amount of \$924.00 and assessed costs in the amount of \$1,958.80.