NOTICE OF REPRIMAND AND RESTITUTION

Case No. 03-82-GA

Notice Issued: December 3, 2004

Thomas A. Balinski, P 41771, Livonia, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #65.

- 1. Reprimand
- 2. Effective December 1, 2004

The hearing panel found that respondent failed to diligently attend to a client's matter; failed to keep the client reasonably advised of the status of the matter; failed to pursue the client's interests as reasonably directed by the client; and did not represent the client competently;

Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2; 1.3; 1.4 and 8.4(a) and (c).

The panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded and pay restitution in the amount of \$1,487.50. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$3,057.72.