

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION

Case No. 03-131-GA

Notice Issued: January 27, 2004

Thomas J. Fayfer, P 40754, Ann Arbor, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board
Livingston County Hearing Panel #1.

1. Suspension - 1 Year
2. Effective January 14, 2004

Based on respondent's default for failure to file an answer to the formal complaint and failure to appear at the public hearing, the hearing panel found that respondent neglected a legal matter; failed to keep his client reasonably informed concerning the status of the matter; failed to refund unearned fees; abandoned the representation; 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); MCR 9.113(B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(a) and (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's license be suspended for one year, to run consecutively to a 180 day suspension imposed in Grievance Administrator v Thomas J. Fayfer, Case No. 02-153-GA. The panel also ordered that respondent pay restitution in the amount of \$1,000.00. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,757.16.