DISMISSAL

Case No. 02-39-GA

Travis W. Ballard, P 32805, Adrian, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #4.

- 1. Dismissal
- 2. Effective October 8, 2003

The Grievance Administrator filed Formal Complaint 02-39-GA alleging that respondent, in a divorce matter, offered to prevent the filing of a request for investigation by his client against her attorney husband for the payment of money to his client; offered to forego personally reporting the alleged conduct of the attorney husband to the Attorney Grievance Commission for the payment of money to his client; and used the threat of a request for investigation as an attempt to gain a benefit for his client in a civil matter. Respondent's conduct was alleged to have been in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 8.3(a) and 8.4(a)-(c).

A public hearing was held and the hearing panel entered an order dismissing Formal Complaint 02-39-GA. No costs were assessed against respondent.