NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION (With Condition)

Case No. 02-153-GA

Notice Issued: July 18, 2003

Thomas J. Fayfer, P 40754, Ann Arbor, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #2.

- 1. Suspension 180 Days
- 2. Effective July 18, 2003

The hearing panel found, by default, that respondent, in a civil matter, failed to file a complaint or any pleadings on behalf of his client; abandoned his client's mater; failed to return his client's file; and failed to return the unearned \$1,500.00 retainer. Respondent also failed to file an answer to 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); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a) and (b); 1.5(a); 1.16(d); 8.1(a)(2); and 8.4(a)-(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license be suspended for 180 days and that he pay restitution in the amount of \$1,500.00 and return the client's file. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,765.56.