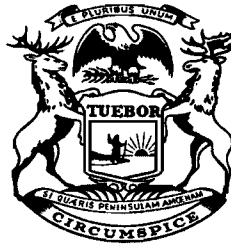


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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND WITH CONDITIONS
(By Consent)

Case No. 19-109-GA

Notice Issued: February 7, 2020

Karyn E. Tomczyk, P 76403, Gladwin, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Genesee County Hearing Panel #2.

Reprimand, Effective February 1, 2020

Respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a Stipulation for Consent Order of Discipline, in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. The stipulation contained respondent's admissions to the allegations that she committed acts of professional misconduct by failing to provide competent representation during a client's attempt to legally adopt his grandson.

Based upon respondent's admissions and the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that respondent failed to provide competent representation to a client, in violation of MRPC 1.1; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client, in violation of MRPC 1.3; failed to reasonably consult with the client about the means by which the client's objectives are accomplished, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a); failed to keep the client reasonably informed about the status of the matter, in violation of MRPC 1.4(b); engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation, in violation of MRPC 8.4(b); and engaged in conduct that is contrary to justice, ethics, honesty, and good morals, in violation of MCR 9.104(3).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded and subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$805.37.


Mark A. Armitage
Executive Director