

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION

Case Nos. 01-72-GA; 01-147-GA

Notice Issued: September 30, 2002

Lonzo J. Mallette, Jr., P-44585, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #15.

1. Suspension - 180 Days;
2. Effective September 28, 2002.

The hearing panel found that respondent failed to perform the service for which he had been retained; failed to return an unearned fee; filed a false answer to the Request for Investigation served by the Grievance Administrator; failed to comply with a court order to file a trial brief; failed to appear for trial; and in two matters, failed to communicate to his clients the status of their matters. Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(A)(1)-(4); MCR 9.113(A); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.15(b); 1.16(d); and 8.4(a) and (c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license be suspended for 180 days and that he pay restitution in the amount of \$6,000.00. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$848.45.