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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND (By Consent)

Case No. 19-118-GA

Notice Issued: January 7, 2020

Daniel I. Weberman, P 41644, West Bloomfield, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #103.

Reprimand, Effective December 31, 2019

The 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 factual statements contained in the formal complaint that in his representation of a client in a medical malpractice matter, respondent failed to file a Notice of Intent before filing a malpractice complaint or include an affidavit of merit with the complaint. Respondent pled no contest to the allegations that he committed acts of professional misconduct.

Based upon respondent's admissions, plea of no contest and the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that respondent handled a legal matter without preparation adequate in the circumstances, in violation of MRPC 1.1(b); failed to seek the lawful objective of a client through reasonably available means, in violation of MRPC 1.2; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness when representing a client, in violation of MRPC 1.3; failed to keep a client reasonably informed regarding the status of a matter, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a); and failed to explain a matter to a client to the extent reasonably necessary for a client to make informed decisions regarding the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.4(b). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(2) and (3).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$800.00.

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