NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITIONS (By Consent)

Case No. 01-93-GA

Notice Issued: December 20, 2001

Paul D. Curtis, P-29737, Detroit, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #19.

- 1. Suspension 30 Days;
- 2. Effective December 1, 2001.

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator, through their respective counsel, filed a stipulation for a 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 respondent pled no contest to the allegations that he failed to communicate with his client regarding the status of his matter; and failed to deposit an advance payment fee into an interest-bearing account in which no funds belonging to respondent or his law firm were being held. Respondent's conduct was in violation of Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4 and 1.15(a). The parties agreed that the remainder of Formal Complaint 01-93-GA may be dismissed and that respondent will be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct.

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for 30 days effective December 1, 2001 and that respondent be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$186.60.