

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 00-8-GA

Notice Issued: February 5, 2001

Michael J. Kieltyka, P-28766, Troy, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #33.

1. Suspension - 3 Years;
2. Effective February 5, 2001.

The hearing panel found, by default, that respondent had committed the professional misconduct alleged in Formal Complaints 00-08-GA and 00-23-FA, specifically: That in numerous civil litigations, respondent failed to initiate legal action on behalf of his clients; made false statements to his clients regarding the status of their matters; failed to respond to inquiries from his clients regarding the status of their matters; and failed to inform his clients that their cases had been dismissed. Respondent also failed to file documents on behalf of a client; and failed to notify his client of a settlement offer and settled the case without authority from his client. Further, respondent failed to file an answer to the formal complaint served upon him by the Grievance Administrator. Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(1)-(4) and (7); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4; 1.16(d); 3.2; 8.1(b); 8.4(a)-(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license be suspended for three years. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$312.49.