

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION
(Pending Appeal)

Case Nos. 99-102-GA; 99-130-FA

Issued: November 1, 2000

Frederick A. Petz, P-28327, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #15.

- 1) Suspension - 30 Months.
- 2) Effective November 1, 2000.

The hearing panel found that the allegations in the formal complaints were established by a preponderance of the evidence, specifically: That respondent misappropriated client funds; converted the funds to his personal use; and made misleading statements to his client about the availability of her money and when it would be paid to her.

Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1)-(4) and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4; 1.8; 4.1; and 8.4(a)- (c). The panel ordered that respondent's license be suspended for 30 months effective September 1, 2000. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,012.15.

Both the Grievance Administrator and respondent filed petitions for review. The respondent also requested a stay of discipline. On August 31, 2000, the Attorney Discipline Board issued an order granting respondent a temporary stay of discipline until November 1, 2000. Both petitions are currently pending before the Attorney Discipline Board.