NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

Case No. 96-142-GA

Ina M. Zeemering, P-23036, Howell, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board, Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #2.

- 1. Reprimand.
- 2. Effective November 26, 1999.

This matter was commenced with the filing of Formal Complaint 96-142-GA and, after the hearing panel had denied respondent's motion for summary judgment, the Board appointed a Special Master. Following hearings on the alleged misconduct, the Special Master dismissed 43 of the 44 counts but found that respondent filed an appellate brief in a criminal matter before meeting with the client. The Master also found that respondent filed appellate briefs in 30 matters that contained identical arguments with little attempt to relate the argument to the specific client which constituted a failure to provide competent representation, in violation of Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1. The hearing panel adopted the report of the Special Master and ordered that respondent be reprimanded. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$93.23.