

NOTICE OF RECIPROCAL REPRIMAND
(By Consent)

Case No. 97-20-RD

Chris T. Searer, P-46471, Grand Haven, Michigan, by Attorney
Discipline Board Muskegon County Hearing Panel #1

- 1) Reprimand;
- 2) Effective July 1, 1997.

On December 18, 1996, the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan Southern Division entered a Order of Reprimand, which states as follows:

The Court having found after a formal hearing and due deliberation that respondent . . . willfully violated Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 4.2 during her appearance on behalf of the victims . . . by communicating with a represented party about the subject prosecution without the consent of the party's attorney; and

The Court having found that the misconduct was ultimately harmless, but proceeded from an exercise of poor judgment reflecting adversely on respondent's fitness to practice law and on the integrity of the legal profession . . .

On January 24, 1997, the Grievance Administrator filed a Petition for Show Cause why an order of reciprocal discipline should not be entered. The parties thereafter stipulated to the entry of an Order of Reciprocal Reprimand. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$2.98.