NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION

Case No. 01-120-GA; 01-154-FA

Notice Issued: February 12, 2002

Karen R. Hammond-Nash, P-40878, South Bend, Indiana, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #17.

- 1. Suspension 3 Years;
- 2. Effective February 12, 2002¹

The hearing panel found, by default, that respondent, in her representation of the petitioner in a reinstatement proceeding before a hearing panel of the Attorney Discipline Board, failed to deliver a report to the panel resulting in the denial of her client's petition for reinstatement. Also, respondent made false representations to her client that the report and all necessary filings had been timely submitted. Respondent failed to answer the formal complaint served 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(a)-(c); 1.2(a); 1.3; 1.4(a); 1.16(d); 3.2; 8.1(b); and 8.4(a)-(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license be suspended for three years and that she pay restitution in the amount of \$1,100.00. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$110.76.

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since November 9, 2000. See <u>Notice of Suspension and Restitution</u> dated November 9, 2000.