NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case Nos. 95-229-GA; 95-258-FA

Joseph L. Rooney, Jr., P-38218, Jackson, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Calhoun County Hearing Panel.

- 1) Suspension nine (9) months;
- 2) Effective March 16, 1996.

Respondent was appointed to represent a defendant in the appeal of a criminal conviction. The panel found, by default, that respondent neglected the matter; failed to answer the Request for Investigation; and failed to answer the Formal Complaints. Respondent also failed to appear at the disciplinary hearing.

Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.103(C); MCR 9.104(1)-(4)and(7); MCR 9.113(A)and(B)(2); and Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4; 3.2; 8.1(b); and 8.4(a)and(c).

Costs were assessed in the amount of \$291.96.