NOTICE OF REPRIMAND (By Consent)

Case No. 95-191-GA

Russell O. Vail, P-22799, Walled Lake, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #73.

- 1) Reprimand;
- 2) Effective February 1, 1996.

Respondent was counsel for the defendants in a civil matter in the 53rd District Court. In connection with that matter, he pled no contest to violating MCR 9.104(1) [conduct prejudicial to the proper administration of justice]; MCR 9.104(2) [conduct that exposes the legal profession or the courts to obloquy, contempt, censure or reproach]; MCR 9.104(4) [conduct that violates the standards or rules of professional responsibility adopted by the Supreme Court]; MRPC 3.3(a)(1) [A lawyer shall not knowingly make a false statement of material fact or law to a tribunal]; MRPC 3.3(a)(2) [A lawyer shall not knowingly fail to disclose a material fact to a tribunal when disclosure is necessary to avoid assisting a criminal or fraudulent act by the client]; MRPC 8.4(a) [It is professional misconduct for a lawyer to violate or attempt to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct, knowingly assist or induce another to do so, or do so through the acts of another]; and MRPC 8.4(c) [It is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice].

The parties stipulated that respondent be reprimanded. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$107.75.