

## NOTICE OF REDUCED DISCIPLINE

Case No. 93-135-GA

William A. Ortman, P-18540, Farmington Hills, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board reducing Tri-County Hearing Panel #9's Order of Revocation.

- 1) Suspension - three (3) years;
- 2) Effective June 17, 1995.

Tri-County Hearing Panel #9 found that respondent engaged in repeated and routine filing of pleadings that contained scandalous, spurious, vexatious, and unfounded statements about the parties, the attorneys, and the judges involved in the cases set forth in the Formal Complaint. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1)-(4); Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct 3.1; 3.3(a)(1)and(2); 3.4(c); 3.5(c); 8.2(a); and 8.4(a)-(c); and Canons 1, 2 and 7 of the then-applicable Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(1)and(4)-(6); DR 2-109(A) (1)and(2); DR 7-102(A)(1),(2),(5) and(8); and DR 7-106(C). On May 26, 1995, the panel entered an order revoking respondent's license to practice law effective June 17, 1995.

Respondent filed a petition for review and a petition for stay of discipline. The petition for stay was denied. On December 4, 1995, the Attorney Discipline Board entered an order reducing the discipline to a three-year suspension.

The Grievance Administrator filed an application for leave to appeal, which was denied by the Michigan Supreme Court in an order entered October 30, 1996.

Costs were assessed in the amount of \$4,165.12.

NOTE: Respondent's license to practice law in Michigan was also revoked by Tri-County Hearing Panel #22 in Case No. 93-141-GA, effective June 17, 1995. This order of revocation remains in effect.