

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION

Case No. 93-122-GA

Richard G. Parchoc, P-34727, Dearborn, Michigan, by Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #65.

- 1) Suspension - three years and one day;
- 2) Effective November 9, 1993.

Respondent failed to answer the formal complaint and failed to appear at the hearing held in Birmingham on September 8, 1993. Respondent's default was entered, and the panel determined that the default established the allegations of the formal complaint.

Respondent was retained to prosecute civil litigation and also to defend the same client in a lawsuit. He failed to commence the litigation; abandoned the representation of his client; failed to keep his client informed concerning the status of the matters; closed his law office without notice to his client; failed to refund the unearned \$4500 retainer fee; failed to file an appearance or answer the Summons and Complaint; made numerous misrepresentations to his client; and, failed to answer the request for investigation.

Respondent was retained by another client to prosecute civil litigation, but failed to serve the defendants; failed to appear for a court proceeding; failed to diligently prosecute the case; abandoned the representation; failed to keep his client informed concerning the status of the matter; closed his law office without notice to his client; failed to refund the unearned \$5000 retainer fee; and failed to answer the request for investigation.

Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1)-(4)and(7); MCR 9.113(A); MCR 9.113(B)(2); and the Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct, 1.1(c); 1.3; 1.4; 1.5(a); 1.15(b); 1.16(d); 3.2; 8.1(b); and 8.4(a)-(c). The panel ordered respondent to make restitution to his clients in the total amount of \$9500. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$349.16.

NOTE: Respondent's license to practice law in Michigan has been continuously suspended since June 9, 1993.