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NOTICE OF DISBARMENT

Case No. 15-105-GA

Notice Issued: April 26, 2019

Donnelly W. Hadden, P 14507, Ann Arbor, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board

Disbarment, Effective February 7, 2019

Washtenaw County Hearing Panel #1 found that respondent misappropriated client funds and commingled them with his own, in violation of MRPC 1.15(b)(3) and (d); and MRPC 1.15A(a)(2). The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 45 days, effective July 12, 2016. Respondent did not petition for review, thus the suspension of his license to practice law became effective on July 12, 2016. Pursuant to MCR 9.123(A), respondent's license to practice law in Michigan was automatically reinstated, effective August 31, 2016, with his filing of an affidavit of compliance with the Michigan Supreme Court, the Attorney Discipline Board, and the Grievance Administrator.

The Grievance Administrator filed a petition for review, seeking an increase in the discipline imposed. The Attorney Discipline Board conducted review proceedings in accordance with MCR 9.118 on October 19, 2016. The Board subsequently issued an order referring the matter to a master for additional proceedings. A hearing before the master was held on May 11, 2018 and the master's report was issued on August 15, 2018. The Board then conducted supplemental review proceedings on October 16, 2018. On January 9, 2019, the Board issued an order increasing the discipline imposed from a 45 day suspension to disbarment, effective February 7, 2019, with credit for the 45-day period of suspension served between July 12, 2016, and August 30, 2016.

On January 28, 2019, respondent filed an application for leave to appeal and a request for a stay of the effective date of the order of disbarment with the Michigan Supreme Court. The Court denied respondent's application for leave to appeal on April 2, 2019.

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