NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

ADB 25-88; 133-88

Fletcher J. Campbell, P11544, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board reducing a hearing panel order of revocation.

- 1) Suspension three (3) years;
- 2) Effective March 19, 1991.

Respondent was retained to institute conservatorship proceedings. A Master appointed by the Attorney Discipline Board found that respondent collected a \$600.00 non-refundable fee without obtaining either the approval of the Probate Court or the affected parties, charged and collected a clearly excessive fee, violated an Order and Opinion of the Michigan Court of Appeals directing him to reimburse the estate for the excessive fees, and violated an Order of the Wayne County Probate Court enjoining him from transferring or spending funds received through the estate. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104 (1-4), and Canons 1, 2 and 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(5); DR 2-106(A,B); DR 7-106(A).

In a separate matter, respondent was retained to prosecute an insurance claim. The Master found that respondent failed to deposit the funds of his client in an identifiable trust account, misappropriated the funds of his client, and provided false information to a volunteer investigator of the Attorney Grievance Commission. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4,6); and Canons I and 9 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(4,5); DR 9-102(A).

The hearing panel adopted the findings of the Master and entered an Order of Revocation. Respondent filed a petition for review seeking a reduction in discipline. In an order dated October 25, 1990, the Attorney Discipline Board reduced discipline to a suspension of three years. In orders dated February 25 and 28, 1991, the motions for reconsideration of the respondent and the Grievance Administrator were denied. In an order dated March 22, 1991, the Michigan Supreme Court denied the applications for leave to appeal filed by the respondent and the Grievance Administrator and denied the respondent's motion for a stay. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$5979.83.