

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

ADB 214-88

Edward C. Bartl, P-23307, Plainwell, Michigan, by Attorney
Discipline Board Kalamazoo County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1) Suspension - 120 days;
- 2) Effective May 2, 1989.

The respondent failed to answer the Formal Complaint and failed to appear at the hearing held in Kalamazoo on November 15, 1988. Respondent's default was entered and the hearing panel determined that the default established the allegations of the Formal Complaint. Respondent acted as attorney for an estate in the Allegan County Probate Court. In violation of his duties to the estate, Respondent failed to prepare and file accountings for the estate for the years 1986 and 1987 and caused the powers of the personal representative of the estate to be suspended by the court. Respondent also failed to answer the Request for Investigation. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4,7); MCR 9.103(C); MCR 9.113(B)(2); and Canons 1, 6 and 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(1,5,6); DR 6-101(A)(3); and DR 7-101(A)(1-3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$431.81.