

NOTICE OF REVOCATION

ADB 207-87; 234-87; 239-87; 13-88

Peter B. Short, P-24752, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, by
Attorney Discipline Board Oakland County Hearing Panel #18.

- 1) Revocation;
- 2) Effective December 13, 1988.

The Respondent failed answers to the Formal Complaints filed by the Grievance Administrator but failed to appear at the hearing before the panel on October 10, 1988. Based upon the testimony and exhibits submitted by the Administrator, the panel found that the following acts of professional misconduct were established. In his capacity as personal representative from a decedent's estate, the Respondent failed to prepare and file timely inventory and first annual account; filed a final account which falsely stated that estate funds were on hand; commingled and misappropriated land contract payments owing to the estate in the amount of \$9,775.29.

In a separate matter, the respondent was appointed conservator of the estate of a protected person. The panel found that the respondent's ■investment■ of estate assets in the amount of \$300,000 in respondent's own name and without documentation constituted misappropriation, and found that the approximate sum of \$25,000 remained unaccounted for. The panel further found that the respondent filed annual accounts with the Macomb County Probate Court which falsely reported ■cash on hand■ in excess of \$300,000 when, in fact, those funds had been ■invested■ by respondent and had not been recovered by the respondent. Finally, the panel found that respondent filed an answer to a Request for Investigation which failed to make a full and fair disclosure of his handling of the assets of that estate. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4,6) and Canons 1, 6, 7 and 9 of the Code of Professional Responsibility; DR 1-102(A)(3-6); DR 6-101(A)(3); DR 7-101(A) and DR 1-102(A)(B). Costs were assessed the amount of \$601.82.