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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

ADB 213-87

George J. Harrington, P 23574, 11407 Moran, Hamtramck, MI 48201, by Attorney Discipline Board Oakland County Hearing Panel #26.

- 1) Suspension 180 days;
- 2) Effective March 19, 1988.

The Respondent failed to answer the Formal Complaint filed by the Grievance Administrator and did not appear before the hearing panel. Based upon the default which had been entered, the panel concluded that the allegations of misconduct were established and that the Respondent failed to appear on behalf of his clients at a mediation hearing in January 1984, failed to take action to prevent the dismissal of the case, failed to proceed diligently with an appeal to the Michigan Court of Appeals and failed to inform his clients of the status of their case. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4) 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 \$108.69.

The hearing panel considered Respondent's prior discipline for misconduct, consisting of a Reprimand in 1977, a sixty-day suspension in 1979 and a 120 day suspension effective August 6, 1986.

NOTE: Respondent's license to practice law has been suspended continuously since August 6, 1986 and that suspension remains in effect unless terminated by an order of reinstatement filed in accordance with MCR 9.123(B) and MCR 9.124.



John F. VanBolt

Dated MAR 25 1988

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