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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

ADB 44-87; 70-87

N. Jerome Rudy, P 19750, 3613 Orchard, Box 1391, Midland, MI 48641 by Attorney Discipline Board, Clair Hearing Panel.

- 1) Suspension - 180 days;
- 2) Effective October 13, 1987.

The Respondent failed to answer two Formal Complaints which charged that he was retained in December 1984 to challenge the division of marital property contained in a Judgment of Divorce but failed to take appropriate action to achieve his client's legal objectives, failed to answer the Request for Investigation filed by the client and failed to answer the Formal Complaint served April 1, 1987. Respondent's conduct was alleged to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4 & 7), MCR 9.103(C), MCR 9.113(B)(2) and Canons 1, 6 & 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).

The Panel found that the charges of misconduct were established. The Panel considered Respondent's testimony that he had suffered from severe health problems and they noted Respondent's prior Reprimand, effective September 17, 1986, in another discipline matter. Costs were assessed in the amount \$251.86.


John F. VanBolt

Dated: OCT 13 1987