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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

File No. DP 41/86

Robert O. Lindow, P 16698, 5 E. Michigan Mall, Battle Creek, MI 49014 by Lansing Hearing Panel #4.

- 1) Suspension - 180 days;
- 2) Effective May 26, 1987.

The Respondent failed to answer the Formal Complaint filed November 24, 1986 and failed to appear before the Hearing Panel in Lansing, Michigan on February 3, 1987. Upon its consideration of the Respondent's default and the testimony of the complainants, the Panel concluded that misconduct was established. Respondent accepted representation of clients in two matter in August and December 1984. Thereafter, he failed to adequately discharge his responsibility to those clients in a reasonable manner, did not communicate with them, and apparently withdrew from the practice of law without advising those clients or making arrangements for alternative representation. The Respondent failed to answer two Requests for Investigation. The Complaint charged violations of MCR 9.104(1-4, & 7) [former GCR 953 (1-4 & 7)], MCR 9.113(B)(2) and Canons 1, 6 & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(1, 4-6), DR 6-101(A)(2-3) and DR 7-101(A)(1-3).

Respondent is suspended for a period of 180 days and until he has established his eligibility for reinstatement by clear and convincing evidence in accordance with MCR 9.123(B) and MCR 9.124. Respondent has been suspended continuously since October 16, 1985, the effective date of a seventy-five (75) day suspension in another matter. That suspension has not been terminated by the filing of an Affidavit in accordance with MCR 9.123(A). Costs in this action were assessed in the amount of \$269.64 and Respondent was ordered to make restitution to his clients in the amounts of \$42.00 and \$150.00.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John F. VanBolt", written over a horizontal line.

John F. VanBolt

Dated: MAY 20 1987