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## NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

File Nos. DP 188/85; DP 57/86; DP 170/86; DP 216/86

David F. Tibbetts, P 22859, State Street, Box 331, Atlanta, MI 49709 by Attorney Discipline Board Macomb County Hearing Panel #1.

- 1) Suspension Three years, one day;
- 2) Effective March 20, 1987.

The Respondent did not appear at the hearing and did not answer the Formal Complaints which charged as follows:

DP 118/85--Count I: Respondent was retained to commence foreclosure proceedings but failed to take any action, failed to communicate with his client and failed to return the file or the retainer;

Count II: Respondent failed to answer a Request for Investigation served October 18, 1985;

DP 57/86—Count I: Respondent was retained in a civil matter in April 1985 but failed to take action or to communicate with his client;

Count II: Respondent failed to answer a Request for Investigation served October 28, 1985;

Count III: Respondent accepted a retainer in October 1984 but failed to institute action to quiet title to real property and made false statements to his clients concerning his efforts on their behalf;

Count IV: Respondent failed to answer a Request for Investigation served October 30, 1985;

Count V: Respondent was retained to handle the administration of a decedent's estate but prepared no accountings and failed to reply to the inquiries of his client;

Count VI: Respondent failed to answer a Request for Investigation served March 20, 1986.

DP 170/86-Respondent failed to answer a Formal Complaint served by certified mail March 21, 1986.

DP 216/86-Respondent failed to answer a Formal Complaint served by certified mail October 23, 1986.

By virtue of the Defaults which had been entered, the Panel found that misconduct was established; that Respondent had violated the provisions of MCR 9.104(1-4.7), MCR 9.113(A) and Canons 1.2.6 & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 1-102(A)(1.4-6), DR 2-110(B)(4), DR 6-101(A)(1-3), and DR 7-101(A)(1-3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$268.07.

Respondent is suspended for a period of three years and until the entry of an Order of Reinstatement pursuant to MCR 9.124. Respondent is ordered to make restitution to three complainants in the respective amounts of \$390.00; \$250.00 and \$400.00 with interest at the rate of six percent.

John Py VanBolt

Darted: MAR 2 0 1987