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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION CORRECTED AS SUSPENSION TIME ONLY

File No. DP 161/85

Everett Gordon Knox, Jr., P 16092, 920 Ford Building, Detroit, HI 48226 by the Michigan Supreme Court Denying Respondent's Application for Leave to Appeal.

- 1) Suspension 30 days;
- 2) Effective April 27, 1987

Based upon the evidence presented, an order was entered by Wayne County Hearing Panel #11 suspending Respondent's license to practice law for a period of thirty days upon its finding that Respondent accepted a retainer fee of \$1500.00 to substitute as counsel for the personal representative of a decedent's estate but failed to file an Inventory or an Annual Account. The Panel noted that Respondent's failure to seek his client's legal objectives resulted in the removal of his client as personal representative and the disallowance of her subsequent request for reimbursement for the attorney fees paid to the Respondent. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4) and Canons 6 and 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, DR 6-101(A)(3) and DR 7-101(A,B). Respondent was ordered to make restitution to his former client in the amount of \$1500.00.

Petitions for Review were filed by the Grievance Administrator and by the Respondent. The Board's Order Affirming the Hearing Panel Order of Suspension was filed February 2, 1987. Respondent's subsequent Application for Leave to Appeal was denied by an order of the Supreme Court dated April 27, 1987. The thirty day suspension imposed by the Hearing Panel was stayed during the pendency of those appeals and became effective upon the entry of the Court's denial of his application for leave. Total coats were assessed in the amount of \$380.33.

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