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## NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

File No. DP 166/86; DP 126/86

George R. Darrah, P 12510, 1736 Davison Road, Flint, MI 48506 by Attorney Discipline Board Flint Hearing Panel #1.

- 1) Reprimand;
- 2) Effective January 21, 1987

The Hearing Panel found, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the Respondent was appointed by a Genesee County Circuit Court Judge to represent an indigent defendant and to appeal that defendant's guilty plea but that his lack of effort on behalf of his client resulted in an unreasonable delay. The Panel reported that the Respondent was appointed as counsel on May 7, 1984. In December 1984, Respondent filed a Claim of Appeal in the Court of Appeals which was returned by the Court because the Court Rules required the filing of an Application for Leave to Appeal. Respondent's Application for Leave to Appeal on behalf of the client was not filed until September 1985. Respondent's conduct was found to be in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4) and Canons 1, 6 & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility DR 1-102(A)(5)(6); DR 6-101(A)(3) and DR 7-101(A)(1-3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$166.80.

John F. VanBolt

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