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NOTICE OF PROBATION AND REPRIMAND

File Nos. DP 142/84; DP 170/84; DP 192/84

Carol A. Dean, P 23997, 26111 W. Fourteen Mile Road, Suite 200, Birmingham, MI 48025 by the Attorney Discipline Board dated October 14, 1986 affirming a Hearing Panel Order of Discipline (with clarifications).

- 1) Probation and Reprimand;
- 2) Effective November 5, 1986.

Respondent was the subject of three (3) Formal Complaints consolidated for hearing. Respondent's failure to answer the Complaints resulted in the entry of three (3) Defaults and the finding by the Panel that professional misconduct was established as alleged in the Complaints, to wit: DP 142/84--Respondent neglected a legal matter for approximately six (6) months. misrepresented the status of the case to her client, and failed to answer a Request for Investigation; DP 170/84--Respondent failed to answer the Formal Complaint; DP 192/84--Respondent neglected a legal matter, manufacture the status of that case to her client, failed to answer a Request for Investigation, engaged in a deliberate conflict of interest, neglected a separate legal matter and misrepresented the status of that case, and submitted an Answer to a Request for Investigation which was misleading. Respondent was found to have violated the provisions of GCR 953(1-4)(7) [now MCR 9.104(1-4)(7)]; Canons 1, 5, 6 & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to wit: DR 1-102(A)(4-6); DR 5-105(A)(B); DR 6-101(A)(1-3); DR 7-101(A)(1-3) and DR 7-102(A)(5).

In mitigation, Respondent satisfactorily demonstrated to the Panel that her conduct alleged in the Complaint occurred at a time when her ability to practice law competently was materially impaired, that the impairment contributed to the misconduct and was susceptible to treatment. In its Order Affirming the Hearing Panel Decision, the Attorney Discipline Board limited the Reprimand imposed to Complaint DP 170/84 and ordered Respondent be subject to an Order of Probation in accordance with MCR 9.121(C) for a period of two (2) years. Respondent shall continue a program of therapy with certificates of be submitted to the Board on a quarterly basis. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1336.67.