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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

(Pending Appeal)


File No. DP 123/85

Gary B. Perkins, P 18787, 25509 Kelly Road, Roseville, MI 48066 by Attorney Discipline Board Oakland County Hearing Panel #15.

- 1) Suspension - 30 days;
- 2) Effective June 26, 1986.

The Hearing Panel found that the Respondent committed professional misconduct in his handling of wrongful death action and subsequent probate proceedings as the result of acts or omissions which included his failure to reduce his contingency fee agreement to writing in violation of MCR 8.121(F)[former GCR 928.6]; his distribution of the wrongful death proceeds, including distribution of attorney fees, without prior court approval; and his failure to conclude the probate proceedings in a timely manner. The Hearing Panel concluded that Respondent's conduct was in violation of MCR 9.104(1-4), MCR 8.121(F) and Canons 1, 6 & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility to wit: DR 1-101(A)(5)(6), DR 6-101(A)(1-3) and DR 7-101(A)(1-3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$804.22.

A timely Petition for Review was filed by the Respondent seeking review by the Attorney Discipline Board. In the absence of a Petition for Stay of Discipline, the Order of Suspension became effective June 26, 1986.


John F. VanBolt

Dated: JUN 27 1986