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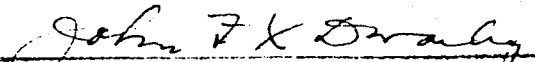
NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

FILE NO: 70-84, 119-84

MITCHELL G. HOWARD, (P27976), 45081 Geddes Road, Canton, MI 48188, by Attorney Discipline Board Wayne County Hearing Panel #5.

- (1) Suspension
- (2) For a period of 121 Days
- (3) Effective September 25, 1984

The hearing panel found that Respondent: neglected and mishandled an adoption matter and failed to advise the clients honestly regarding the status of said matter, and failed to refund unused portions of fees paid to him; that Respondent misrepresented to the client that he had taken action in said adoption matter and prepared and executed a check to the client in the amount of \$150.00 as reimbursement of part of the retainer fee when he knew or should have known that the check would be dishonored for insufficient funds. The panel found violations of Canons 1, 6 and 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to wit: DR1-102(A)(4-6), DR6-101(A)(1-3), DR7-101(A)(1-3) and GCR 953(1-4). The hearing panel found substantial evidence in mitigation.


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Dated: October 3, 1984