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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

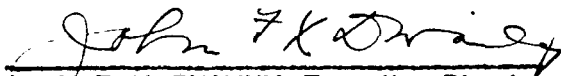
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CLINTON C. LOVETT, (P29908), 12392 Santa Rosa, Detroit, Michigan 48204, by the Attorney Discipline Board increasing a hearing panel suspension.

- (1) Suspension
- (2) For a period of 60 days
- (3) Effective July 25, 1984

The Board, reviewing a hearing panel suspension of 15 days, found that Respondent was appointed to handle a criminal appeal for an indigent client in January of 1981; almost two years later, in November of 1982, Respondent filed for leave to appeal; Respondent was assessed costs by the Court of Appeals for the late filing of the appeal and filed an appeal brief only after a warning by the Court; and, as a result of the late filing, Respondent's client lost his right to oral argument. The Grievance Administrator appeal to the Board, claiming that the panel failed to consider prior discipline and a suspension of 15 days was inadequate. Respondent challenged the panel findings, claiming there was no basis for a finding of a violation of the disciplinary rules. The Board increased the discipline from 15 to 30 days provided that Respondent file a plan of lawyer-supervised law practice or employment; failure to file such a plan resulted in imposition of the 60 day suspension.

Both the Grievance Administrator and the Respondent have appealed the Board's decision to the Michigan Supreme Court, however, the Respondent's appeal was not timely, and therefore no stay is in effect at this time.


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Dated: JUL 30 1984