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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

DP-81/83

DOUGLAS L. WILLIAMS (P 24728), 1107 Francis Street, Jackson, MI 49203, by the Attorney Discipline Board Battle Creek Hearing Panel.

- (1) Reprimand;
- (2) Effective December 28, 1983.

The hearing panel found: That Respondent had been appointed to represent an indigent criminal defendant; that Respondent was instructed by the court that any notice of alibi defense to be filed on behalf of the criminal defendant was to be filed no later than November 7, 1980; that Respondent failed to file said notice until December 15, 1980; that Respondent's late filing and the defective nature of the pleading resulted in the court excluding said pleading at trial. The hearing panel also found that Respondent failed to adequately and accurately respond to the Grievance Commission's request for investigation. The panel found violations of GCR 953(1-4) and (6), GCR 962.1 and Canons 1 and 6 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to-wit: DR6-102(A)(1)(4)(5)(6) and DR 6-101(A)(2)(3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$320.94.

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Dated: JAN 9 1984