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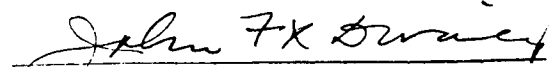
## NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

DP-76/82  
 DP-27/83

J. WILLIAM LOCKE, (P16746), 2855 Coolidge, Ste. 103,  
 Troy, Michigan 48084, by Attorney Discipline Board Oakland  
 County Hearing Panel #7.

- (1) Suspension
- (2) For a period of 45 Days
- (3) Effective December 15, 1983.

The hearing panel found that Respondent agreed to pursue certain claims against a probate estate, that the claims were denied by an Oakland County Referee after presentation by Respondent, that Respondent did in fact undertake to carry the client's claims beyond the referee hearing stage to appeal the decision or seek a redetermination thereof, that Respondent failed and neglected to take said additional action on behalf of the client to the client's detriment and failed to communicate with the client regarding the status of the claims, and that certain testimony in defense of the formal complaint was not credible. The panel found violations of GCR 1963, 953(1)(2)(4) and Canons 1, 6, & 7 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to wit: DR1-102(A)(1)(4-6), DR6-101(A)(2)(3), DR7-101(A)(1-3). The record reflected a prior disciplinary suspension of 60 days effective May 15, 1981. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$570.89.

  
 JOHN F. X. DWAIHY, Executive Director  
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DATED: DECEMBER 20, 1983