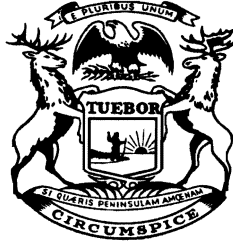


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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITION
(By Consent)

Case Nos. 17-76-GA; 17-127-GA

Notice Issued: June 4, 2018

Sean Liles, P 55377, Traverse City, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Grand Traverse County Hearing Panel #1.

Suspension - 3 Years, Effective June 1, 2018.

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline, in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. Based upon respondent's admissions to the factual statements and to the allegations of professional misconduct contained in both formal complaints and the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct.

Specifically, the panel found that respondent deposited his own funds in a client trust account in an amount more than reasonably necessary to pay financial institution charges or fees or to obtain a waiver of service charges or fees, in violation of MRPC 1.15(f); failed to provide a full and fair explanation of the cause of an overdraft and how it was corrected, in violation of MRPC 1.15A(f); in connection with a disciplinary matter, knowingly made a false statement of material fact, in violation of MRPC 8.1(a); knowingly misrepresented facts and/or circumstances surrounding a request for investigation, in violation of MRPC 9.104(6); made a misrepresentation in his answer to the request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.113(A); failed to fully and fairly disclose all facts and circumstances pertaining to the alleged misconduct in his answer to the request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.113(A); signed and served two subpoenas without filing a notice of appearance and without providing a copy to the opposing counsel or party, in violation of MCR 2.506 and MCR 9.104(4); in representing a client, used means that had no substantial purpose other than to embarrass, delay, or burden a third person, or used methods of obtaining evidence that violated the legal rights of that person, in violation of MRPC 4.4; and knowingly made a false statement of material fact to a tribunal, in violation of MRPC 3.3(a)(1). Respondent was also found to have violated MRPC 8.4(a)-(c) and MCR 9.104(1)-(4).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for a period of 3 years and that respondent be subject to a condition relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$933.47.


Mark A. Armitage
Executive Director