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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

DP-139/82 & DP-166/82

DAUNE A. ELSTON (P 28682), 1331 East Jefferson, Detroit, MI, 48226, by the Attorney Discipline Board reducing a hearing panel order of suspension.

- (1) Reprimand;
- (2) Effective June 3, 1983.

Respondent was suspended by a hearing panel for failure to answer a request for investigation and for failure to answer two formal complaints. The substantive misconduct counts were dismissed because the complainant failed to appear at the hearing.

Upon Respondent's petition for review the Board modified the discipline to a Reprimand. In its opinion, the Board noted that Respondent made verbal contact with Counsel for the Grievance Administrator in an attempt to address the complaints; while this does not constitute a proper answer as required by the court rules it was considered in mitigation by the Board. The Board also considered as mitigation that Respondent had no record of discipline.

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