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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

DP-101/81 & 82/82 DP-207/82

JOHN E. SMITH (P 20674), 500 N. Woodward, Suite 320, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013, by the Attorney Discipline Board affirming the hearing panel decision.

> Suspension: (1)

For a period of fifteen (15) days;

Effective May 1, 1983 (The suspension has already been served as indicated in the Board's prior notice pending appeal issued May 3, 1983.)

The hearing panel found that Respondent neglected and mishandled certain worker's compensation and contract litigation, that Respondent's clients were falsely advised regarding the status of said case including misrepresentation by Respondent that purported hearing dates had been cancelled when no suit had actually been filed on behalf of the client. The hearing panel considered certain evidence in mitigation including the testimony of four witnesses, evidence of personal rehabilitation and no record of previous discipline. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$470.46.

JOHN F. X. DWAIHY, Executive Director DAVID BAKER LEWIS, Secretary of the

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Dated: June 29, 1983