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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND

DP-67/82

CHARLES A. HAAS (P 14486), 26150 Five Mile Road, Detroit, MI, 48239, by Attorney Discipline Board Wayne County Hearing Panel "G".

- (1) Reprimand;
- (2) Effective March 31, 1983.

The hearing panel found that Respondent borrowed the sum of \$10,000 from a client with interest at 10% to be secured by a mortgage; that respondent failed to advise said client to secure the advice of independent counsel regarding said transaction and failed to give security for the loan made to him in violation of GCR 1963, 953(1-4) and Canons 1 and 5 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to-wit: DR1-102(A) (4-6) and DR5-104(A). The panel considered in mitigation that respondent repaid \$8,499 of said loan, of which amount \$3,862 constituted interest and \$4,637 constituted principal and that a remaining balance of \$5,362 was being repaid in a timely manner. The panel noted that counsel for both the Grievance Administrator and Respondent suggested that a reprimand was an appropriate sanction agreeable to the complainant and that there is no record of prior discipline. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$212.47.

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Dated: April 8, 1983