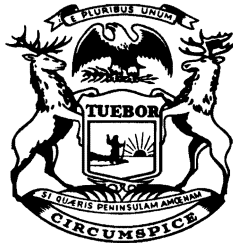


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**NOTICE OF DISBARMENT**

Case Nos. 17-86-JC; 17-87-GA

**Notice Issued: April 5, 2018**

Mark A. Kaufman, P 57919, Lansing, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Ingham County Hearing Panel #6.

Disbarred, Effective April 5, 2018<sup>1</sup>

Respondent was convicted, by guilty plea, of attempted third degree retail fraud, in violation of MCL 750.356D4[A], in *People of the State of Michigan v Mark Andrew Kaufman*, 54A District Court Case No. 15-05319. Respondent was also convicted, by guilty plea, of attempted third degree retail fraud, in violation of MCL 750.356D4[A], in *People of the State of Michigan v Mark Andrew Kaufman*, 54A District Court Case No. 16-04168. Based on these convictions, the panel found that respondent engaged in conduct that violated a criminal law of a state or of the United States, an ordinance, or tribal law pursuant to MCR 2.615, in violation of MCR 9.104(5).

Additionally, based on respondent's default for failing to answer the formal complaint, the hearing panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct by failing to report his convictions; holding himself out as an attorney to another attorney while his license was suspended; and failing to answer a Grievance Administrator Request for Investigation. Specifically, the panel found that respondent failed to report two convictions, in violation of MCR 9.120(A) and (B); failed to timely answer a request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), MCR 9.113(B)(2) and MRPC 8.1(a)(2); and held himself out as being an actively licensed attorney to engage in the practice of law, in violation of MCR 9.119(E)(4) and MRPC 5.5(b)(2). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(2) and (4); and MRPC 8.4(a)-(c).

The panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice law in Michigan. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,975.42.

  
Mark A. Armitage  
Executive Director

<sup>1</sup> Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since October 9, 2013. Please see Notice of Automatic Interim Suspension, *Grievance Administrator v Mark A. Kaufman*, 13-124-AI; 13-141-JC, issued November 7, 2013.