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This is to inform the Courts of the State of Michigan of the following final Orders of Discipline:

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

File # 34538-A

RICHARD W. BOHAN (P10950), 21505 Harper, St. Clair Shores, Michigan 48080, for a period of 90 days, by Wayne County Hearing Panel #2, effective February 26, 1979.

Respondent was charged with four separate counts of misconduct resulting from requests for investigation by two clients who had retained Respondent to prosecute personal injury claims. The formal complaint charges neglect, failure to carry out the contracts of employment and prejudice or damage to said clients during the course of the professional relationship. The complaint also alleged conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation for an alleged failure to account to the clients for funds used for the discharge of outstanding medical and other obligations and failure to maintain complete records of said funds and promptly pay or deliver those funds to the client. The allegations involved violations of Canon 6, DR 6-101 (A) (3), Canon 7, DR 7-101 (A) (2), (3), Canon 1, DR 1-102 (A) (4), Canon 9, DR 9-102 (B) (3), (4) and former Supreme Court Rule 15.2 (2-4).

The Hearing Panel dismissed those counts alleging fraud, deceit or misrepresentation, failure to maintain complete records of client funds and failure to promptly pay or deliver said funds to the clients. The Panel did conclude that Respondent neglected the litigation of both clients and failed to carry out contracts of employment which resulted in court orders dismissing the actions of said clients.

David Baker Lewis
David Baker Lewis, Secretary
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