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NOTICE OF REVOCATION

DP-141/81

WATSON A. ZDRODOWSKI (P 22699), 6825 Allen Rd., Allen Park, MI 48101, by Attorney Discipline Board Wayne Circuit Hearing Panel "Q".

- (1) Revocation of license;
- (2) Effective April 28, 1982.

The Formal Complaint charged: that Respondent as executor and fiduciary of an estate during a period of approximately four (4) years failed, neglected and/or refused to: account to the probate court for receipt of the assets; identify and label the assets; maintain complete record of all assets coming into his possession; pay and/or deliver to the heirs the assets of the estate; pay over the residuary assets in the amount of \$150,000 as ordered by the Court resulting in the financial loss to the estate in the form of interest and penalties on unpaid taxes, the costs of fees for services of a successor fiduciary and the cost of fees for the retainer of an accountant to audit Respondent's accountings. Respondent admitted these charges as well as the commingling and conversion of said funds with his own assets for his own use. The Complaint further charged that Respondent knowingly made a false statement to the Wayne County Probate Judge regarding the reason for his failure to make final distribution of the assets as ordered. A separate count further charged that Respondent petitioned for and was allowed fees for services in the amount of \$80,000 relative to said estate, and that said fees were excessive and constituted overreaching by Respondent. plaint charged violations of Canons 1, 2, 7 and 9 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, to-wit: DR1-102(A)(3)(6), DR2-106(A), DR7-101 (A)(2)(3), DR9-109(B) (1)-(4), and GCR 953 (1-4). The hearing panel reported that Respondent admitted to the allegations in all four counts of the Formal Complaint in violation of all rules alleged. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$115.72.

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