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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

No. DP-140/81, 119/81, 86/81 and 63/81

HUBERT J. MORTON (P 25940), 1717 City National Bank Bldg., Detroit, MI 48226, by Attorney Discipline Board, Wayne Circuit Hearing Panel "K".

- (1) Suspension;
- (2) For a period of sixty (60) days;
- (3) Effective February 9, 1982.

The hearing panel found: that Respondent neglected a personal injury action, failed to inform a client on the status of the case, and failed to cooperate with substitute counsel in the matter; failed to pursue a client's claim regarding funds in a mortgage escrow account and failed to communicate with this client; that Respondent presented, without notice to opposing counsel, a proposed order for relief in divorce proceedings containing relief which had been denied by the court, and that Respondent failed to give notice to his client regarding a deposition scheduled in said divorce proceeding; that Respondent failed to appear in response to a motion to compel discovery and failed to advise his client of the same; that Respondent failed and refused to cooperate with successor counsel in arranging for substitution of attorneys. ing a sixth count, the panel found that Respondent failed to appear at proceedings before the Discipline Board hearing panel and failed to answer the Formal Complaints consolidated for hearing. found violations of the following: GCR 953(1)-(4) and (7) and 964.4(a) and the Code of Professional Responsibility, to-wit: Canon 1, DR1-102(A)(1)(3)(5)(6), Canon 2, DR2-110(B)(4), Canon 6, DR6-101 (A) (3), and Canon 7, DR7-101(A) (1)-(3). Costs were assessed in the amount of \$337.53.

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