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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION WITH CONDITIONS

Case No. 17-118-GA

Notice Issued: February 15, 2018

Richard Shant Norsigian, P 77410, Royal Oak, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #64.

Suspension - 60 Days, effective February 14, 2018.

Based on respondent's default and his admissions at the November 29, 2017 hearing, the hearing panel found that respondent committed acts of professional misconduct while handling an eviction matter, a notary fraud action, and a quiet title action.

The panel specifically found that respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to him, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to seek the lawful objectives of a client, by filing a motion for reconsideration without client consent, in violation of MRPC 1.2(a); failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client, in violation of MRPC 1.3; failed to surrender property and papers to which the client is entitled and to refund the advance payment of a fee that has not been earned upon termination of the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d); and failed to answer a request for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), and (B)(2), and MRPC 8.1(a)(2). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(3) and MRPC 8.4(a) and (c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 60 days, with conditions relevant to the established misconduct, and that respondent pay restitution. Total costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,851.22.


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