

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 23-82-MZ (Ref. 22-76-GA)

Notice Issued: May 16, 2024

Matthew D. Novello, P 63269, Highland, Michigan

Suspension - 90 Days, Effective March 11, 2023¹

A show cause hearing was held in this matter on the Grievance Administrator's motion to increase discipline and petition for an order to show cause why discipline should not be increased for respondent's failure to comply with Tri-County Hearing Panel #58's February 17, 2023, Order of Suspension and Restitution, effective March 11, 2023. The hearing panel found that based upon respondent's admissions, stipulations, and testimony, respondent violated an order of discipline, in violation of MCR 9.104(9). Specifically, the panel found that respondent failed to pay restitution as ordered in the February 17, 2023, Order of Suspension and Restitution; failed to remove a website and online listing that indicates he is a practicing attorney with an operating law office, in violation of MCR 9.119(E)(4); failed to comply with MCR 9.119(A), by failing to notify all active clients regarding his disqualification; failed to comply with MCR 9.119(B), by failing to inform all tribunals regarding his disqualification; failed to comply with MCR 9.119(C), by failing to file an affidavit of compliance with the Attorney Discipline Board and the Attorney Grievance Commission within fourteen (14) days after the effective date of the order; failed to provide proof of payment of costs; and used an e-mail address that implies he is a practicing attorney in violation of MCR 9.119(E)(4).

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since December 8, 2022. Please see Notice of Interim Suspension issued December 12, 2022, Case No. 22-76-GA.

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 90 days, effective March 11, 2023, to run concurrently with the 180-day suspension imposed in *Grievance Administrator v Matthew D. Novello*, 22-76-GA. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$2,360.47.