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## **NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

Case No. 17-21-GA

Notice Issued: September 5, 2017

MacKenzie Batzer Watson, P 78048, Howell, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Genesee County Hearing Panel #3.

Suspension - 30 Days, Effective September 5, 2017.

The Grievance Administrator filed a two count formal complaint alleging that respondent committed professional misconduct by neglecting a client's landlord-tenant matter and failing to timely answer a request for investigation. Respondent filed an answer to the formal complaint and a hearing was held in this matter on May 3, 2017.

Upon consideration of respondent's answer and the evidence and testimony provided at the hearing the panel found that respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to her, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to properly withdraw and terminate her representation to protect her clients' interests, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d); and failed to answer the Request for Investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), and (B)(1). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(3) and MRPC 8.4(c).

The hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 30 days effective September 5, 2017. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$2.194.06.

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