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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

Case No. 16-63-GA

Notice Issued: July 28, 2017

Richard A. Meier, P 38204, Plymouth, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #68.

Suspension - One Year, Effective March 23, 2017.1

As alleged in the formal complaint, and established by the evidence and testimony submitted, the hearing panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct while representing a client in a breach of contract and retaliatory discharge lawsuit against his former employer.

The panel found that respondent handled a legal matter without preparation adequate in the circumstances, in violation of MRPC 1.1(b); neglected a legal matter, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness on a client's behalf, in violation of MRPC 1.3; and failed to keep a client reasonably informed regarding the status of a legal matter and respond promptly to reasonable requests for information, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for a period of one year.

Wendy A. Neeley Deputy Director

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since October 20, 2016. Please see Final Notice of Suspension (Pending Appeal), issued October 7, 2016.