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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION (By Consent)

Case No. 16-70-GA

Notice Issued: December 21, 2016

Ray A. Paige, P 41848, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #26.

Suspension - 30 Days. Effective December 21, 2016

The respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a stipulation for a consent order of discipline, in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by the hearing panel. Based upon respondent's admissions and the stipulation of the parties, the panel found that respondent failed to hold property of clients or third persons in connection with a representation separate from the lawyer's own property and failed to deposit client funds to an IOLTA or non-IOLTA, in violation of MRPC 1.15(d); failed to deposit a legal fee paid in advance of services rendered in to a client trust account, in violation of MRPC 1.15(g); and failed to timely answer four requests for investigation in violation of MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), and MCR 9.113(B)(2).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 30 days. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$835.29.

Mark A. Armitage

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