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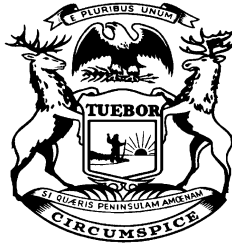
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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND WITH CONDITION
(By Consent)

Case No. 24-73-GA

Notice Issued: January 29, 2025

Jack L. Berman, P 10737, Livonia, Michigan

Reprimand, Effective January 29, 2025

Respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a Stipulation for Consent Order of Reprimand with Condition in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by Tri-County Hearing Panel #2. The stipulation contained respondent's admissions to the factual allegations and allegations of professional misconduct set forth in the formal complaint, namely that respondent mismanaged his IOLTA by issuing two checks that were returned unpaid because there were insufficient funds in respondent's IOLTA, and that after being notified of the overdrafts, respondent deposited personal or earned funds from his business checking account into his IOLTA to cover the overdrafts. The stipulation further contained the parties' agreement that respondent be reprimanded, with the condition that respondent attend the Lawyer Trust Accounts Seminar offered by the State Bar of Michigan.

Based upon respondent's admissions as set forth in the parties' stipulation, the panel found that respondent failed to maintain client funds paid in advance for court costs and expenses in his IOLTA, in violation of MRPC 1.15(f); deposited or kept personal or earned fees in an IOLTA in violation of MRPC 1.15(g); engaged in conduct that is contrary to justice, ethics, honesty, or good morals, in violation of MCR 9.104(3); and, violated or attempted to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct, in violation of MRPC 8.4(a) and MCR 9.104(4).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded and imposed a condition relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,191.95.