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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION WITH CONDITIONS
(By Consent)

Case Nos. 16-112-AI; 17-3-JC

Notice Issued: March 27, 2017

Eric Allan Buikema, P 58379, Troy, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #60.

Suspension - 179 Days, Effective October 6, 2016¹

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. The stipulation contained respondent's admission that he was convicted by guilty plea, of operating while intoxicated/per se, third offense, a felony, in violation of MCL 257.625(6)(D), in *People of the State of Michigan v Eric Allan Buikema*, Oakland County Circuit Court Case No. 16-259047-FH. The parties further agreed that respondent should be suspended from the practice of law for 179 days, and be subject to certain conditions. In accordance with MCR 9.120(B)(1), respondent's license to practice law in Michigan was automatically suspended on October 6, 2016, the date of his conviction.

Based on respondent's conviction and his admission in the stipulation, it was established that respondent engaged in conduct that violated the criminal laws of the State of Michigan, in violation of MCR 9.104(5).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law in Michigan be suspended for 179 days, effective October 6, 2016. Additionally, the panel ordered that respondent be subject to conditions relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$833.32.


Mark A. Armitage
Executive Director

¹ The date of respondent's felony conviction and automatic suspension from the practice of law. See Notice of Automatic Interim Suspension issued October 14, 2016.