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NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND RESTITUTION
(Pending Appeal)

Case No. 18-58-GA

Notice Issued: October 9, 2018

Carolyn J. Jackson, P 53018, Southfield, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #51.

Suspension - 180 Days, Effective July 26, 2018¹

Based on respondent's default, the hearing panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct in her representation of a client in a post-divorce judgment matter to prepare and file a motion to modify child support and parenting time; her failure to answer a request for investigation; and her failure to appear, when subpoenaed, to answer questions under oath.

The panel found that respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to her, in violation of MRPC 1.1(c); failed to seek the lawful objectives of a client, in violation of MRPC 1.2(a); failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness while representing a client, in violation of MRPC 1.3; failed to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of a matter and comply promptly with reasonable requests for information, in violation of MRPC 1.4(a); failed to refund an unearned advance payment of fee upon termination, in violation of MRPC 1.16(d); knowingly failed to respond to a lawful demand for information from a disciplinary authority, in violation of MRPC 8.1(a)(2); and failed to answer a request for investigation in conformity with MCR 9.113(A), in violation of MCR 9.104(7). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(4); and MRPC 8.4(a) and (c).

The panel ordered that respondent's license to practice law be suspended for a period of 180 days and that she be required to pay restitution in the amount of \$1,500.00. The Grievance Administrator filed a petition for review, seeking an increase in discipline. The review hearing in this matter is scheduled for December 12, 2018.

Mark A. Armitage
Executive Director

¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law in Michigan since May 17, 2018. See Notice of Suspension And Restitution, issued July 13, 2018, *Grievance Administrator v Carolyn J. Jackson*, Case No. 16-131-GA.