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NOTICE OF DISBARMENT

Case No. 16-118-GA

Notice Issued: January 3, 2019

Marvin Barnett, P 34033, Detroit, Michigan, by the Attorney Discipline Board Tri-County Hearing Panel #16.

Disbarment, Effective January 3, 2019.¹

Based on the evidence presented by the parties at the hearings held in this matter, the hearing panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct when he violated a prior order of discipline; failed to answer ten requests for investigation; failed to notify two separate clients of his suspension from the practice of law; and practiced law and held himself out as an attorney after the effective date of his suspension.

The panel found that respondent collected illegal fees during his suspension, in violation of MRPC 1.5(a); failed to answer requests for investigation, in violation of MCR 9.104(7), MCR 9.113(A), and MCR 9.113(B)(2); violated his order of discipline, in violation of MCR 9.104(9); failed to notify his clients of his suspension from the practice of law, in violation of MCR 9.119(A); failed to file proof of compliance with the orders of discipline, in violation of MCR 9.119(C); accepted new retainers or engagements as an attorney for another in new cases or legal matters after entry of the order of discipline prior to its effective date without any authorization of the board chairperson, in violation of MCR 9.119(D); and practiced law and held himself out as an attorney after the effective date of his suspension, in violation of MCR 9.119(E). Respondent was also found to have violated MCR 9.104(1)-(4); and MRPC 8.4(a)-(c).

The panel ordered that respondent be disbarred from the practice of law in Michigan. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$7,795.48.


Mark A. Armitage
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¹ Respondent has been continuously suspended from the practice of law since October 3, 2015. See Notice of Suspension And Restitution, issued October 8, 2015, *Grievance Administrator v Marvin Barnett*, Case Nos. 14-8-GA; 14-26-GA; 14-53-GA.