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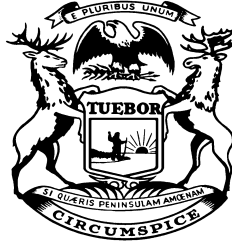
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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND WITH CONDITION
(By Consent)

Case No. 25-76-GA

Notice Issued: March 23, 2026

Kourtney L. Stone, P 85504, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Reprimand, Effective March 19, 2026

Respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed an Amended Stipulation for Consent Order of Reprimand in accordance with MCR 9.115(F)(5), which was approved by the Attorney Grievance Commission and accepted by Kent County Hearing Panel #4. The stipulation contained respondent's admissions to the factual allegations and allegations that she committed professional misconduct while serving as an assistant prosecuting attorney assigned to the Kent County Treatment and Support Court (TASC), a diversion program for defendants with mental health or substance abuse issues. The complaint alleged that respondent developed and maintained an inappropriate personal relationship with a TASC participant whom she was professionally involved with, communicating extensively with him outside official channels, offering gifts and financial assistance, and making statements implying influence over prosecutorial decisions without the knowledge of his attorney. It was further alleged that respondent disclosed confidential information about other TASC participants and improperly accessed the detainee's recorded jail phone calls using her professional credentials, conduct that ultimately led to an investigation, suspension of her access, and the termination of her employment with the Kent County Prosecutor's Office.

Based upon respondent's admissions and the stipulation of the parties, the hearing panel found that respondent represented a client (the State of Michigan) when the representation of that client may have been materially limited by the lawyer's own interests, in violation of MRPC 1.7(b); communicated about the subject of the representation with a person whom the lawyer knew to be represented in the matter by another lawyer without the consent of the other lawyer, in violation of MRPC 4.2(a); failed to treat with courtesy and respect all persons involved in the legal process, in violation of MRPC 6.5(a); engaged in conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice, in violation of MRPC 8.4(c) and MCR 9.104(1); engaged in conduct that exposes the legal profession or the courts to obloquy, contempt, censure, or reproach, in violation of MCR 9.104(2); engaged in conduct that is contrary to justice, ethics, honesty, or good morals, in violation of MCR 9.104(3); and, engaged in conduct that violates the standards or rules of professional conduct adopted by the Supreme Court, in violation of MPRC 8.4(a) and MCR 9.104(4).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded and subject to a condition relevant to the established misconduct. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$1,143.92.