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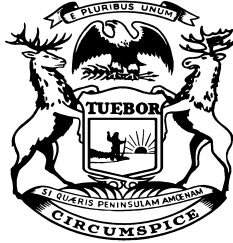
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NOTICE OF REPRIMAND
(By Consent)

Case No. 26-18-GA

Notice Issued: August 25, 2026

Frederick J. Boncher, P 23072, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Reprimand, Effective August 25, 2026

Respondent and the Grievance Administrator filed a 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. Based on the parties' stipulation and respondent's admissions, the panel found that respondent committed professional misconduct during his representation of Isaac and Courtney Leach in a civil lawsuit alleging civil trespassing by entering into an agreement that resulted in him charging a clearly excessive fee, filed pleadings without his clients consent, and failed to abide his the clients' decision regarding a proposed settlement.

Specifically, the panel found that respondent: failed to seek the lawful objectives of a client, in violation of MRPC 1.2(a); failed to abide by a client's decision whether to accept an offer of settlement, in violation of MRPC 1.2(a); entered into an agreement for, charged, and/or collected an illegal or clearly excessive fee, in violation of MRPC 1.5(a); where he had not regularly represented the client, failed to communicate the basis or rate of the fee to his client before or within a reasonable time after commencing the representation, in violation of MRPC 1.5(b); violated or attempted to violate the Rules of Professional Conduct, or knowingly assisted or induced another to do so, or did so through the acts of another, in violation of MRPC 8.4(a); engaged in conduct that is prejudicial to the administration of justice, in violation of MCR 9.104(1) and MRPC 8.4(c); 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 MCR 9.104(4).

In accordance with the stipulation of the parties, the panel ordered that respondent be reprimanded. Costs were assessed in the amount of \$762.14.