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## Certified Mail - R.R.R. and Regular Mail

Louis N. Caggiano, Jr., Esq. 1300 Route 73 South Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054

Re:

In the Matter of Louis N. Caggiano, Jr.

Docket No. DRB 02-094

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Caggiano:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in the course of your representation of Sandra DiLullo, you settled the case for \$50,000. The settlement check that was forwarded to you was made payable to Ms. DiLullo and to you. Without obtaining Ms. DiLullo's endorsement or her permission to deposit the check, you deposited it in your trust account. After the check cleared, you paid Ms. DiLullo her share of the settlement. Your deposit of the settlement check without obtaining your client's endorsement was unethical and in violation of <u>RPC</u> 1.15(c).

Your conduct adversely reflected not only upon you as an attorney, but also upon all members of the bar. Accordingly, the Board has directed the issuance of this admonition to you.  $\underline{R}$ . 1:20-15(f)(4).

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A permanent record of this occurrence has been filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Court and the Board's office. Should you become the subject of any further discipline, it will be taken into consideration.

The Board has also directed that the costs of the disciplinary proceedings be assessed against you. An affidavit of costs will be forwarded under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

Robyn M. Hill

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