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Re: In the Matter of Victor J. Horowitz
Docket No. DRB 01-091
ADMONITION BY CONSENT

Dear Mr. Horowitz:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the motion for discipline by consent (admonition) filed by the District VIII Ethics Committee. After a review of the record, the Board determined to grant the motion. Specifically, on December 22, 1995 you filed a complaint for personal injury damages on behalf of the driver, as well as four passengers of a vehicle allegedly involved in an accident. At some point thereafter, the defendants were allowed to file an amended answer and a counterclaim against the driver of the vehicle, alleging contribution. Even though discovery revealed issues of liability against the driver, you continued to represent all plaintiffs in the matter through the trial date, at which time your firm was disqualified by the trial judge. Your conduct was unethical and in violation of RPC 1.7.

In mitigation, the Board considered that no disciplinary infractions have been sustained against you since your admission to the New Jersey bar in 1982.


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. R. 1:20-15(f)(4).

I/M/O Victor Horowitz
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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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