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Re:

In the Matter of Kim Michelle Kline

Docket No. DRB 03-080

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Ms. Kline:

The Disciplinary Review Board, with the approval of the Supreme Court, has concluded that an admonition is the appropriate discipline for your misconduct in the above matter.

Specifically, you represented various clients without having a *bona fide* office in New Jersey. In addition, you failed to reply to the ethics investigator's inquiries about the grievance. Your conduct was improper and in violation of R.1:21-1(a), RPC 5.5(a) and RPC 8.1(b).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that you practiced law on a part-time basis, represented only clients who were your friends and usually met with clients either at your home or at the clients' business or residence.

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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).

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,

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