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Generoso Scala, Esq. 303 George Street, Suite 408 New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Re.

In the Matter of Generoso Scala

Docket No. DRB 99-378

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Scala:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in or about November 1996, Therapeutic Devices, Inc. hired you to represent it in numerous personal injury arbitrations. Ultimately, in June 1998, your client hired another attorney, who wrote to you asking for the return of the files. Despite this request, you did not in a timely, proper and cooperative manner surrender papers and property to which your client was entitled. Your conduct was improper and in violation of RPC 1.16(d).

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).

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.

# I/M/O Generoso Scala DRB 99-378

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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