SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-69 September Term 1997

IN THE MATTER OF MARIE C. CHEN, AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

ORDER : JUN 17 1900 : Stephen Wounsend

The Disciplinary Review Board on May 15, 1998, having filed with the Court its decision concluding that MARIE C. CHEN of BOUND BROOK, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1986, and who thereafter was suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months effective April 15, 1996, and who remains suspended at this time, should be suspended from practice for an additional period of six months for violating RPC 1.1(a) and (b) (gross neglect and pattern of neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), and RPC 1.4 (failure to communicate) in her handling of one matter, and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that MARIE C. CHEN is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months, effective May 1, 1998, and until further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of her suspension and that she comply with <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs incurred in the prosecution of this matter.

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 16th day of June, 1998.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

i hereby certify that the toregoing is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

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