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March 28, 2006

Via Certified Mail, R.R.R. & Regular Mail

William C. Brummell, Esq. 75 Prospect Street, Suite 1A East Orange, NJ 07017

RE: <u>In the Matter of William C. Brummell</u>

DRB 06-031

District Docket No. VB-04-024E

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Brummell:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the motion for discipline by consent (admonition) filed by the District VB Ethics Committee pursuant to  $\underline{R}$ . 1:20-10(b). Following a review of the record, the Board determined to grant the motion and to impose an admonition.

Specifically, your name appeared on the Supreme Court's 2003 list of ineligible attorneys, dated September 5, 2003, the effective date of your ineligibility for your failure to pay the annual assessment to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection ("Fund") pursuant to  $\underline{R}$ . 1:20-1. You continued to practice law from September 5, 2003 until January 13, 2004, the date you paid the Fund. Your conduct was unethical and a violation of  $\underline{RPC}$  5.5(a).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that you were unaware of your ineligibility and promptly took action to correct it.

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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 invoice of costs will be forwarded under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

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