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RE:

In the Matter of Charles Shaw Docket No. DRB 96-196 LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Shaw:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in the course of litigation in which you were attorney for one of the parties, you disclosed in the complaint that your adversary had received a private reprimand, a form of discipline that was protected by the then prevailing confidentiality rule. Your conduct was unethical and in violation of former R. 1:20-10(a)(e) and RPC 8.4(e).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that your wrongful disclosure was not an attempt to gain an unfair advantage in a civil proceeding but, instead, the product of your zeal in representing the client.

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.

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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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