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## <u>Certified Mail - R.R.R.</u> <u>and Regular Mail</u>

Robert S. Miller, Esq. 280 South Harrison Street East Orange, New Jersey 07018

RE: In the Matter of Robert S. Miller

Docket No. DRB 95-307 LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Miller:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in July 1992, Gus Elias consulted with you with regard to a motion to enforce his visitation rights with his daughter. After you sent a letter to Mr. Elias's ex-wife, she filed a domestic violence complaint against Mr. Elias and obtained a temporary restraining order on July 30, 1992. The order prohibited further visitation domestic the resolution of the violence complaint. until Thereafter, you took no action to file a motion for visitation, which, consolidated with the domestic violence matter, might have expedited the conclusion of both the visitation and the domestic Indeed, as of April 1993, when Mr. Elias violence matters. discharged you as his attorney, you still had not filed a motion for visitation. In addition, you failed to comply with Mr. Elias's numerous telephone calls seeking information about the status of the matter. You conduct was unethical and in violation of RPC 1.3 and  $\underline{RPC}$  1.4(a).

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.  $\underline{R}.1:20-15(f)(4)$ .

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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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