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Re: In the Matter of Peter B. VanDeventer, Jr.
Docket No. DRB 97-137
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. VanDeventer:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, on or about September 7, 1988 you filed a medical malpractice suit on behalf of Rosemarie Monahan and against a number of defendants. On June 23, 1989, the court dismissed the complaint against defendant Kuchler for failure to answer interrogatories. On October 27, 1989, the court dismissed the complaint against defendants Rosenberg and Friedman for failure to answer interrogatories. On January 12, 1990, the court dismissed with prejudice the complaint against defendant Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center for failure to appear at depositions. Finally, on December 21, 1990, the court dismissed Ms. Monahan's complaint with prejudice. Although you advised your client of developments in the case regarding expert opinions, you did not disclose to her the dismissals for failure to comply with discovery. Your conduct was unethical and in violation of RPC 1.4 (a) and (b).

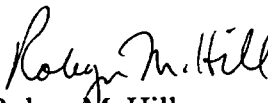
Your conduct adversely reflected not only upon you as an attorney but also upon all members of the bar. Accordingly, the Board has directed the issuance of this admonition to you. R. 1:20-15 (f) (4).

I/M/O Peter B. VanDeventer, Jr.
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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,


Robyn M. Hill

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