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CERTIFIED MAIL R.R.R. AND REGULAR MAIL

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Re: In the Matter of Marc D'Arienzo
Docket No. DRB 04-151
District Docket No. XIV-03-754E

Dear Mr. D'Arienzo:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. With the approval of the Supreme Court, the Board has concluded that an admonition is the appropriate discipline for your misconduct.

Specifically, on December 8, 2003, you were charged with possession of marijuana, less than fifty grams (N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10(a)(4)) and possession of drug paraphernalia, a water bong (N.J.S.A. 2C:36-2). On March 17, 2003, you were granted a conditional discharge, with a one-year term, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:36A-1. Your conduct was unethical and a violation of RPC 8.4(b) (committing a criminal act that reflects adversely on an attorney's honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness as a lawyer).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that you admitted your wrongdoing, fully cooperated with the Office of Attorney Ethics, and that this infraction, unlike your prior two ethics breaches, did not relate to the practice of law.

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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.

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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Chief Counsel

JKD/ns

c: Chief Justice Deborah T. Poritz
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