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VIA CERTIFIED R.R.R. & REGULAR MAIL

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Re: In the Matter of Nedum C. Ejiogu
Docket No. DRB 02-187
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Ejiogu:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Following a de novo review of the record, supplemented by oral argument, the Board determined to impose an admonition. Specifically, Eke O. Nkechinyere retained you in February 1998 to represent her in connection with injuries sustained in the collapse of an apartment ceiling. Although you properly handled that matter to conclusion, you failed to enter into a retainer agreement with your client for over one year after the initial retention, in violation of RPC 1.5.

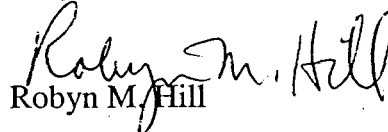
Your conduct adversely reflected not only upon you as an attorney, but also upon all members of the bar. Accordingly, the Board has directed the issuance of this admonition to you. R. 1:20-15(f)(4).

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.

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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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