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> Re: <u>In the Matter of Arthur N. Field</u> Docket No. DRB 99-142 **LETTER OF ADMONITION**

Dear Mr. Field:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the disciplinary stipulation signed by you and the Office of Attorney Ethics arising out of your handling of two real estate transactions. Following its review, the Board determined that an admonition is appropriate. Specifically, on or about December 4, 1995 you acted as settlement agent in a real estate sale known as <u>de los Santos to Rodriguez</u> in connection with property located in Plainfield, NJ. In addition, on or about August 2, 1996 you served as settlement agent for clients known as Gusciora/Hermine in the refinancing of the mortgage loan on property located in Montclair, NJ. When you participated in the above two transactions, you did not maintain attorney trust and business accounts in a New Jersey banking institution. Your conduct was improper and in violation of <u>R</u>.1:21-6 and <u>RPC</u> 1.15(d). In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered your cooperation with the ethics system and the absence of a prior ethics record since your admission to the bar in 1977.

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. <u>R</u>. 1:20-15 (f) (4).

I/M/O Arthur M. Field DRB 99-142

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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