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F. Gerald Fitzpatrick, Esq. 679 Broadway
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Re:

In the Matter of F. Gerald Fitzpatrick

Docket No. DRB 99-046

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, for a period of six years, from 1991 through 1997, you practiced law in a professional corporation named Fitzpatrick & Fitzpatrick, PA, without maintaining professional liability insurance. Your conduct was unethical and violated  $\underline{RPC}$  5.5(a) and  $\underline{R}$ .1:21-1(A)(a)(3).

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).

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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