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Eric J. Goodman, Esq.  
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Re: In the Matter of Eric J. Goodman  
Docket No. DRB 01-225  
**ADMONITION BY CONSENT**

Dear Mr. Goodman:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the motion for discipline by consent filed by the Office of Attorney Ethics. After a review of the record, the Board determined to grant the motion and to issue a letter of admonition. Specifically, a demand audit of your attorney records for the period January 1, 1998 to August 18, 2000 showed commingling of personal and trust funds, in addition to several recordkeeping deficiencies, in violation of RPC 1.15(a) and RPC 1.15(d). In addition, your failure to promptly disburse the proceeds of the Sileo estate to the beneficiaries after the fiduciary bond was issued, on July 21, 2000, constituted a lack of diligence, contrary to RPC 1.3.


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. 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.

I/M/O Eric J. Goodman  
DRB 01-225

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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