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Re:

In the Matter of Marilyn Sternstein

Docket No. DRB 01-270

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Ms. Sternstein:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, your office arrangements with a Merchantville law office did not satisfy the requirements of a *bona fide* office, in that no files were maintained at that location, there were no signs with your name, no space was dedicated to your office and there was no support staff familiar with your files or your clients. Your conduct was unethical and in violation of *RPC* 5.5(a).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that you were winding down your New Jersey practice and that you are no longer accepting the representation of new clients in New Jersey.

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).

I/M/O Marilyn Sternstein DRB 01-270

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,

Robyn M. Hill

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c. Chief Justice Deborah T. Poritz

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