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Re: In the Matter of Bernard I. Weinstein
Docket No. DRB 02-209
District Docket No. IX-01-002E
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in or about 1995 and 1997, respectively, you were retained to represent Julius Gladstone in connection with two personal injury cases. Despite your obligation to keep your client informed about the progress of the case, you failed to properly reply to his inquires. Your conduct was unethical and in violation RPC 1.4(a). You also failed to return your client's file to his new attorney, in violation of RPC 1.16(d).

In mitigation, the Board considered that your inaction was not marked by venality, but was the product of inexperience in the area and lack of support staff.

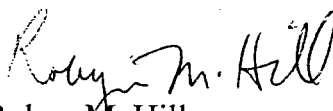
Your conduct adversely reflected not only upon you as an attorney, but also upon all members of the bar. Accordingly, the Board has directed the issuance of this admonition to you. R. 1:20-15(f)(4).

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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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- Associate Justices
- Stephen W. Townsend, Clerk, Supreme Court of New Jersey
- Rocky L. Peterson, Chair, Disciplinary Review Board
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