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RE: <u>In the Matter of Rosalyn C. Charles</u>
Docket No. DRB 08-290

District Docket No. VB-05-068E

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Ms. Charles:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the motion for discipline by consent (admonition), filed by the District VB Ethics Committee in the above matter, pursuant to \underline{R} . 1:20-10. Following a review of the record, the Board determined to grant the motion and to impose an admonition.

Specifically, in 2005, in connection with a divorce matter, you failed to reply to your client's attempts to communicate with you about the status of her case and permitted the divorce complaint to be dismissed for failure to prosecute it. Your conduct was unethical and a violation of RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence) and RPC 1.4(b) (failure to keep a client reasonably informed about the status of matter or to comply with reasonable requests for information).

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In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that you admitted your wrongdoing, cooperated fully with the committee investigation, and attempted to have the complaint reinstated, but were unsuccessful.

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.

The Board has also directed that the costs of the disciplinary proceedings be assessed against you. An invoice of costs will be forwarded under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

Julianne K. DeCore

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