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In the Matter of Paul Gauer
Docket No. DRB 08-208
District Docket No. VC-06-023E
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Gauer:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in August 2004, you represented Anthony J. Iannini, Sr. and Anthony J. Iannini, Jr. in a collection matter against them. At some point, you lost your clients' file and ceased communicating with them. That you could not locate the file did not render communication with your clients impossible. Yet, you made no effort to locate the senior Iannini's address from motion papers, documents on your office computer, your adversary, or the court. Your failure to do so left the Ianninis uninformed about the status of their case, at a critical point in the representation. Your conduct was unethical and a violation of RPC 1.4(b).

The Board dismissed the charge of a violation of RPC 1.3 for lack of clear and convincing evidence.

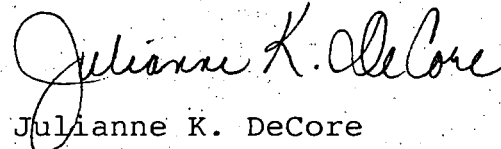
In mitigation, the Board considered that no disciplinary infractions have been sustained against you since your admission to the New Jersey bar in 1979.

Your conduct has 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,



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