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Re: In the Matter of Walter A. Laufenberg
Docket No. DRB 07-042
District Docket No. XI-06-004E
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Laufenberg:

The Disciplinary Review Board reviewed the motion for discipline by consent (admonition) filed by the District XI Ethics Committee pursuant to R. 1:20-10(b). Following a review of the record, the Board determined to grant the motion and to impose an admonition.

Specifically, you represented Steven Post and Kristen Blodnik in the purchase of a house, but did not make the required payments to the mortgage broker or title insurance company. After the mortgage broker sued you and your clients, you properly compensated everyone involved. Your conduct was unethical and a violation of RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect) and RPC 1.15(b) (failure to promptly deliver funds to a third person).

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In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that your conduct did not cause financial harm to your clients and that you have had no discipline since your admission to the bar in 1986.

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,



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