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Jean S. Lidon, Esq.
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Re: In the Matter of Jean S. Lidon
Docket No. DRB 11-254
District Docket No. XII-2009-005E

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Ms. Lidon:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Following a review of the record, supplemented by oral argument, the Board determined to impose an admonition.

Specifically, in the post-judgment matrimonial litigation between you and your former husband, you produced a copy of your former employer's October 23, 2007 letter to you terminating your employment. Prior to your production of that document, however, you redacted the second paragraph, but failed to disclose that fact to your adversary and to the judge who was assigned to the litigation.

Although the Board determined that it was not improper for you to have redacted the second paragraph of the letter, you were, nevertheless, under an obligation to disclose that a redaction had taken place. Your failure to do so was unethical and constituted a violation of RPC 3.4(a).

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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).

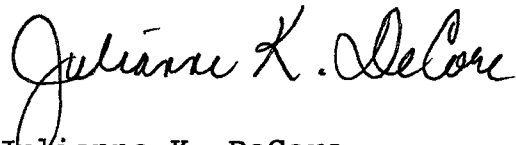
In imposing only an admonition, the Board took into consideration that your actions were not the result of venality and that you have had an unblemished disciplinary record since your 1986 admission to the bar.

Further, the Board is aware that, presently, you are on retired status. If, however, you choose to return to the practice of law, either individually or with a firm, you must first submit to the Office of Attorney Ethics (OAE) proof of fitness to practice law, as attested to by a mental health professional approved by the OAE.

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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