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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, R.R.R. & REGULAR MAIL

Fernando Iamurri, Esq.
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Re: In the Matter of Fernando Iamurri
Docket No. DRB 12-131
District Docket No. XI-2011-0008E
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Iamurri:

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, the Board determined to impose an admonition.

Specifically, in 2007, Walter Rodas retained you to represent him in an immigration matter. During the course of the representation, you missed two deadlines for appeals and failed to make the necessary application setting forth defenses to the removal proceeding or to stay or vacate the subsequent deportation order. In addition, you failed to keep Rodas reasonably informed about the status of the deportation proceeding until Rodas consulted with new counsel. Your conduct violated RPC 1.1(a), RPC 1.3, and RPC 1.4(b).

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered that, apparently, Rodas will be able to reopen his deportation proceeding, on the basis of "discipline by consent/ineffective

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counsel." In addition, the Board considered that you recognized and accepted responsibility for your mistake, that you were concerned for Rodas and "assisted him toward the end without charge," and that, in the "past few years," you were facing serious family crises, including a divorce and your daughter's life-threatening medical issues, which took your attention from your practice.

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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