IN THE MATTER OF

RICHARD B. GIRDLER, :

ORDER

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW :

(Attorney No. 278731972) :

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 01-095, concluding that RICHARD B. GIRDLER of LINCOLN PARK, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1972, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), RPC 1.4 (failure to communicate), RPC 3.2 (failure to expedite litigation), RPC 3.3(a) (false statements to tribunal), RPC 8.1(b) (failure to cooperate with disciplinary authorities) and RPC 8.4(c) (dishonesty, fraud, deceit or misrepresentation), and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that RICHARD B. GIRDLER is suspended from the practice of law for a period of three months and until the further Order of the Court, effective May 1, 2002; and it is further

ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent be restrained and enjoined from practicing law during the period of suspension and that respondent comply with <u>Rule 1:20-20</u>; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight

Committee for appropriate administrative costs incurred in the

prosecution of this matter.

WITNESS, the Honorable Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 1st day of April, 2002.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

The foregoing is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY