SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-152 September Term 1998

IN THE MATTER OF

SUSAN DI NICOLA-TAPIA, :

AN ATTORNEY AT LAW

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The Disciplinary Review Board on December 30, 1998, having filed with the Court its decision concluding that SUSAN DI NICOLATAPIA of NORTH BERGEN, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1988, should be reprimanded for violating RPC 1.1(a) (gross neglect), RPC 1.3 (lack of diligence), and RPC 1.4 (failure to communicate with a client);

And the Board having further recommended that respondent be required to take within one year twelve hours of courses in continuing legal education approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics;

And the Board having further concluded that respondentshould be required to reimburse Yolanda Cuadra \$245.00 for her expenses incurred due to respondent's misconduct, and good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that SUSAN DI NICOLA-TAPIA is hereby reprimanded; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent shall submit proof that within one year of the filing date of this Order she has successfully

completed twelve hours of courses in continuing legal education approved by the Office of Attorney Ethics; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent refund the sum of \$245.00 to her former client Yolanda Cuadra within one year of the filing date of this Order; 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 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 29th day of April, 1999.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

I besety certify that the toregoing is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

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