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> Re: In the Matter of Michelle J. Munsat Docket No. DRB 99-444 LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Ms. Munsat:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above matter and has concluded that it was improper. Specifically, in February 1996 you were retained by Victoria Love and Sharon Gaudet to represent them in connection with a claim for wrongful termination of employment. Despite your obligation to represent your clients' interests expeditiously, you failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in connection with their claim and also failed to adequately communicate with them. Your conduct was unethical and in violation of <u>RPC</u> 1.3 and <u>RPC</u> 1.4(a).

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. <u>R</u>. 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

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The Board has also directed that the costs of the disciplinary proceedings be assessed against you. An affidavit of costs will be forwarded under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

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