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Re: IN the Matter of Andrew M. Newman

Docket No. DRB 18-153

District Docket No. XIV-2016-0487E

LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Newman:

The Disciplinary Review Board has reviewed your conduct in the above-referenced matter filed by the Office of Attorney Ethics (OAE), pursuant to \underline{R} . 1:20-6(c)(1). Following a review of the record, the Board determined to impose an admonition.

Specifically, after learning that you had presented a trust account check against insufficient funds, the OAE conducted a demand interview, at which time it discovered the following deficiencies: (1) you failed to maintain trust or business account cash receipts and disbursements journals; (2) you maintained improper trust and business account check images; and (3) you failed to maintain proper monthly trust account three-way reconciliations.

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As a result of its investigation, the OAE informed you of the deficiencies and requested additional documentation on several occasions. Although you complied with each of the OAE's requests, your three-way trust account reconciliations were still not in compliance with \underline{R} . 1:21-6 and were not in compliance as of the date of argument before the Board. The Board concluded that your conduct was unethical and violated \underline{RPC} 1.15(d) and \underline{R} . 1:21-6 (recordkeeping violations). The Board, therefore, determined to require that, within ninety days of the date of this letter, you bring your records into compliance with the requirements of \underline{R} . 1:21-6 and provide proof to the OAE that you have done so.

In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered your lack of a disciplinary history in your thirty-three years at the bar and your cooperation with ethics authorities to the extent that you admitted your conduct in this matter.

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

Ellen A. Brodsky /

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