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Re: In the Matter of Ronald L. Lueddeke
Docket No. DRB 15-018
District Docket No. IX-2013-0022E
LETTER OF ADMONITION

Dear Mr. Lueddeke:

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 October 2009, grievant Stephen H. Lotter retained you to file a consumer fraud action against Trenton World Class Harley-Davidson and certain employees of that entity. You did not file a complaint until four years later and then only after Lotter filed a grievance against you. Although your delay in filing the complaint did not bar Lotter's claim, your inaction constituted a lack of diligence, a violation of RPC 1.3. You also failed to keep Lotter reasonably informed about the status of the matter and to promptly comply with his reasonable requests for information, a violation of RPC 1.4(b). The Board dismissed the remaining violations for lack of clear and convincing evidence.

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In imposing only an admonition, the Board considered the steps you took to improve the "tickler system" and to return your clients' calls in a timely manner; your contrition and remorse; and your unblemished disciplinary record in nearly forty years at the bar.

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. 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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