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BEFORE THE
DISCIPLINARY BOARD
OF THE
WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

In re

MICHAEL JOSLIN DAVIS,

Lawyer (Bar No. 25846).

Proceeding No. 12#00065

REPRIMAND

Under the Rules for Enforcement of Lawyer Conduct promulgated by the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, you have been directed to receive this FORMAL REPRIMAND.

In February 2010, you agreed to draft a complaint for a client who wished to bring a claim against her former employer. You drafted the complaint, but did not send a copy of the draft to your client to review and did not finalize or file the complaint.

Over the next several months, you were called out of town on a number of occasions due to the illness of a family member. Your client called and made several follow-up inquiries about the status of her matter, but did not receive a response from you, nor was she advised that you had been called away and were not available to pursue the matter for her.

Your conduct in failing to review the draft complaint with your client, finalize the

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1 | complaint, and file the complaint violated RPC 1.3.

2 | You conduct in failing to respond to your client's inquiries about the status of her matter
3 | and by failing to advise her that you were not available to complete her matter violated RCP 1.4.

4 | These actions merit a Formal Reprimand. Your actions discredit you and the legal
5 | profession and show a disregard for the high traditions of honor expected from a member of the
6 | Association.

7 | NOW, THEREFORE, YOU ARE HEREBY REPRIMANDED by the Washington State
8 | Bar Association for this misconduct. This Reprimand will be made a part of your permanent
9 | record with the Association, and will be considered along with other evidence regarding any
10 | future grievances against you.

11 | Your privilege to practice law in the State of Washington is based on the finding that
12 | you are a person of good moral character, and on your commitment to abide by the rules
13 | governing the conduct of members of the Association. The Association expects all your future
14 | conduct as a lawyer to be consistent with that finding as to your character, and with a continuing
15 | commitment on your part to the letter and spirit of those rules.

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17 | Dated this 7th day of December, 2012.


18 | WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

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20 | Michele Radosevich
21 | Michele Radosevich, President

22 | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

23 | I certify that I caused a copy of the Reprimand
24 | to be delivered to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel and to be mailed
to Michael Davis Respondent/Respondent's Counsel
at 524 Tacoma Ave S Tacoma, WA 98402 by Certified first class mail,
postage prepaid on the 11th day of December, 2012

Memorandum

To: Allison Sato, Clerk to Disciplinary Board
From: Randy Beitel, Senior Disciplinary Counsel 
Date: December 11, 2012
Re: Service of Reprimand on Michael Joslin Davis

I am attaching an original reprimand for service on Michael Joslin Davis. I have filed the duplicate original in the public file.

Thank you.