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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on the 13th day of May 2010, the following order was made and entered:

Lawyer Disciplinary Board, Petitioner

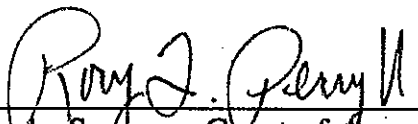
v.) No. 34734

William C. Martin, a member of The West
Virginia State Bar, Respondent

The Court, having maturely considered the record, the written recommended disposition filed by the Hearing Panel Subcommittee of the Lawyer Disciplinary Board, the oral argument and the briefs of counsel thereon, doth hereby suspend the license to practice law in the State of West Virginia of the respondent, William C. Martin, for a period of six (6) months for violating Rules 1.3, 1.15(a) and (b), 1.16(d), 3.4(c), and 8.4(d) of the Rules of Professional Conduct and doth hereby order: (1) upon reinstatement Respondent's practice be supervised for a period of one (1) year; (2) that the Respondent complete twelve (12) hours of CLE in ethics in addition to such ethics hours he is otherwise required to complete to maintain his active license to practice; said additional twelve (12) hours to be completed before he is reinstated; (3) that Respondent fully comply with the orders of the Circuit Court of Harrison County regarding damages awarded to Complainant in Civil Action No. 05-C-628-1; and (4) that Respondent be ordered to reimburse the Lawyer Disciplinary Board the costs of these proceedings, in the amount of \$1,168.40 pursuant to Rule 3.15 of the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Procedure; all of which is ordered to be certified to the parties herein.

The syllabus of points adjudicated, prefixed to the written opinion aforesaid, prepared Per Curiam, was concurred in by Chief Justice Davis and Justices Benjamin, Workman, Ketchum and McHugh.

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Clerk, Supreme Court of Appeals