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SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,	)	Supreme Court No. SB-06-0147-D
	)	Disciplinary Commission Nos. 05-0437, 05-0899
RICHARD C. ERICKSON, Bar No. 010859	)	
RESPONDENT.	)	**JUDGMENT AND ORDER**

This matter having come on for hearing before the Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Arizona, it having duly rendered its decision, there having been no discretionary review and *sua sponte* review having been declined by the Court,

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **RICHARD C. ERICKSON**, a member of the State Bar of Arizona, is hereby suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months and one day, effective thirty (30) days from the date of this judgment and order, for conduct in violation of his duties and obligations as a lawyer, as disclosed in the Disciplinary Commission Report.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **RICHARD C. ERICKSON** shall be placed on probation for a period of two years upon reinstatement and effective upon the signing of the probation contract. Bar Counsel shall notify the Disciplinary Clerk of the date on which the probation begins. The terms of probation are as follows:

1) Respondent shall be required to participate in the State Bar's Member Assistance Program, in addition to any other terms and conditions of probation determined upon reinstatement.

2) In the event that Respondent fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions, and the State Bar receives information to that effect, bar counsel shall file with the Hearing Officer a Notice of Non-Compliance, pursuant to Rule 60(a)5, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct. The Hearing Officer shall conduct a hearing within thirty days after receipt of said notice, to determine whether the terms of probation have been violated and if an additional sanction should be imposed. In the event there is an allegation that any of these terms have been violated, the burden of proof shall be on the State Bar of Arizona to prove non-compliance by clear and convincing evidence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **RICHARD C. ERICKSON** shall pay restitution in the following amount to the following individual:

Debra Degiorgi $5,177.40 with interest at 10% per annum from March 17, 2005 until paid.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall comply with all the provisions of Rule 72, Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, including, but not limited to, Rule 72(a), which requires that Respondent notify all of his clients, within ten (10) days from the date hereof, of his inability to represent them and that he should promptly inform this Court of his compliance with this Order as provided in Rule 72(e).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall comply with all rule provisions regarding reinstatement proceedings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent shall be assessed costs and expenses of the disciplinary proceedings as provided in Rule 60(b).

DATED this 29th day of November, 2006.

NOEL K. DESSAINT
Clerk of the Court

TO:
Richard C. Erickson, Respondent (Certified Mail, Return Receipt and Regular Mail)
Shauna R. Miller, Bar Counsel
Robert J. Lord, Hearing Officer
Lauren E. Eiler, Disciplinary Clerk (Cert. Copy)
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The foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original on file in this office.
ATTEST:
Noel K. Dessaint, Clerk of the Supreme Court
State of Arizona
By _____ Deputy