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HEARING OFFICER OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA
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**BEFORE A HEARING OFFICER
OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA**

IN THE MATTER OF A MEMBER)
OF THE STATE BAR OF ARIZONA,)
)
STEVEN D. COPPLE,)
Bar No. 002351)
)
RESPONDENT.)

No. 03-2099

ORDER OF PROBATION

This Hearing Officer having filed a Report in the above-captioned matter, a copy of that Report having been served upon Respondent's Counsel and the State Bar and no objections to the Report or recommendation of probation and costs having been filed,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

(1) Respondent, **STEVEN D. COPPLE**, shall be placed on probation for conduct in violation of the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 42, Ariz. R. S. Ct., specifically, ER 8.4(d) (Misconduct).

(2) Respondent shall be placed on probation for a period of one year effective upon the signing of the probation contract. Bar Counsel shall notify the Disciplinary Clerk of the date on which probation begins. The terms and conditions of probation are as follows:

a.) Respondent shall contact the director of the State Bar's Member Assistance Program (MAP) within 30 days of the final order in this matter. Respondent shall submit to an evaluation by the director of MAP. The MAP director shall develop a therapeutic contract stating the terms of treatment, if he deems such a contract is appropriate.

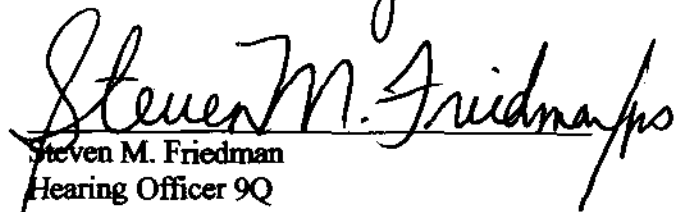
b.) In the event that Respondent fails to comply with any of the foregoing conditions, and the State Bar receives information, bar counsel shall file with the

1 Hearing Officer a Notice of Non-Compliance, pursuant to Rule 60(a)5, Ariz. R. S. Ct. The
2 Hearing Officer shall conduct a hearing within thirty days after receipt of said notice, to
3 determine whether the terms of probation have been violated and if an additional sanction
4 should be imposed. In the event there is an allegation that any of these terms have been
5 violated, the burden of proof shall be on the State Bar of Arizona to prove non-compliance
6 by clear and convincing evidence.

7 (3) Pursuant to Rule 60(a)5, Ariz. R. S. Ct., this order will be entered in the
8 Respondent's permanent record and, pursuant to Rule 70, is not confidential. It may also be
9 considered by a hearing officer, the Disciplinary Commission or the Supreme Court in
10 recommending or imposing discipline in a subsequent disciplinary proceeding against
11 Respondent, pursuant to Rule 48(k)3, Ariz. R. S. Ct.

12 (4) Costs and expenses incurred by the State Bar of Arizona in the amount of
13 \$600.00, as set forth in the Statement of Costs and Expenses attached as Exhibit A to the
14 Tender of Admissions and Agreement for Discipline by Consent, are hereby assessed
15 against Respondent pursuant to the provisions of Rule 60(b)2A, Ariz. R. S. Ct.
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17 DATED this 19th day of May, 2005.

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19 Steven M. Friedman
20 Hearing Officer 9Q
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23 Original filed with the Disciplinary Clerk
24 this 19th day of May, 2005.

25 Copy of the foregoing mailed
26 this 19th day of May, 2005, to:

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