



**STATEWIDE GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE**

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RE: GRIEVANCE COMPLAINT #04-0547  
CARTER vs. PIOMBINO

Dear Respondent and Disciplinary Counsel:

Enclosed herewith is the decision of the reviewing committee of the Statewide Grievance Committee concerning the above referenced matter. In accordance with the Practice Book Sections 2-35, 2-36 and 2-38(a), the Respondent may, within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice, submit to the Statewide Grievance Committee a request for review of the decision.

A request for review must be sent to the Statewide Grievance Committee at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael P. Bowler".

Michael P. Bowler

Encl.

cc: Attorney John H. Welch Jr  
Michael Carter



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RE: Grievance Complaint #04-0547  
Carter v. Piombino

Dear Chief Disciplinary Counsel and Respondent:

Pursuant to Practice Book §2-82(b), the undersigned, duly-appointed reviewing committee of the Statewide Grievance Committee, has reviewed the *Conditional Admission and Agreement as to Discipline* (hereinafter “*Conditional Admission*”) filed October 6, 2004 and submitted for approval in the above referenced matter. After careful consideration of the *Conditional Admission*, the *Affidavit* of the Respondent submitted pursuant to Practice Book §2-82(c) and the entire record of the complaint, and after conducting a hearing pursuant to Practice Book §2-82(b) on October 6, 2004 the undersigned hereby APPROVE the *Conditional Admission*, a copy of which is attached hereto together with the *Affidavit* of the Respondent. Accordingly, the disposition agreed to by the Chief Disciplinary Counsel and the Respondent in the above referenced matter and set forth in the *Conditional Admission* is hereby made an order of this reviewing committee. The Respondent is Reprimanded.

So ordered.

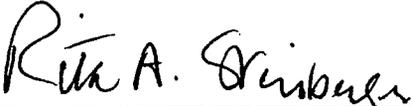
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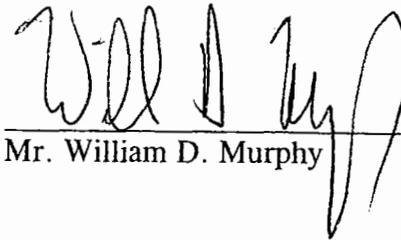
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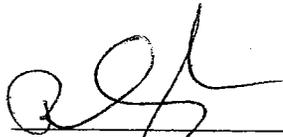
  
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MICHAEL CARTER  
Complainant

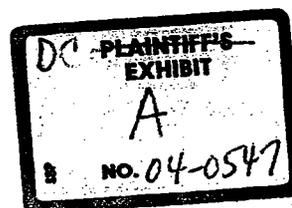
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Respondent

**CONDITIONAL ADMISSION AND AGREEMENT AS TO DISCIPLINE**

Pursuant to Practice Book § 2-82, the undersigned Respondent and Disciplinary Counsel stipulate and agree as follows:

1. This matter was instituted by grievance complaint filed by the Complainant Michael Carter on June 13, 2004. *New Haven Rip DAL 10/10/04*
2. On August 6, 2004 the GA 7 Grievance Panel for the Towns of Branford, East Haven, Guilford, Madison and North Branford found probable cause that the Respondent had violated Rules 1.3 and 1.4 of the Rules of Professional Conduct and Practice Book Section 2-32(a)(1) in connection with his representation of the complainant in a claim against the University of Connecticut.
3. The Respondent has tendered a conditional admission of fact in accordance with his affidavit attached hereto, admitting certain of the facts of the complaint.
4. Respondent has been admitted to practice since 1984. He has had five grievances filed against him, all of which have been dismissed.
5. Respondent has agreed to refund the Complainant's retainer and to accept a reprimand for his conduct.



6. Disciplinary Counsel has agreed to recommend to the Statewide Grievance Committee that the matter be resolved with the issuance of a reprimand.
7. A copy of the Conditional Admission and Affidavit, ~~along with the proposed order~~ has been sent to the Complainant who will be present at the hearing on this matter and who will share with the Committee his feelings about this matter.

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WHEREFORE, this matter is submitted to the Statewide Grievance Committee for its approval in accordance with Practice Book § 2-82 (b).

9/30/04  
Date

Office of Disciplinary Counsel

[Signature]  
By Mark A. Dubois  
Chief Disciplinary Counsel

10/6/04  
Date

Respondent Ronald J. Piombino

[Signature]

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**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)

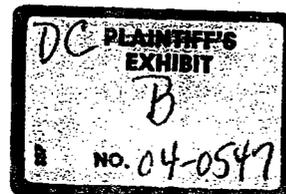
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COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN)

I am over the age of 18 and believe in the obligation of an oath.

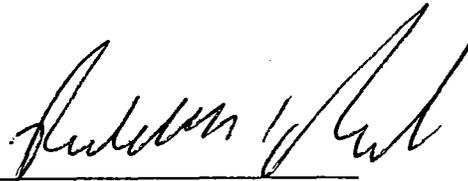
Pursuant to Practice Book §2-82, I make the follow affidavit:

1. The Conditional Admission attached hereto and made a part hereof is voluntarily submitted.
2. I hereby consent to the form of discipline set forth in the attached Conditional Admission.
3. I am aware that I have a right to a full evidentiary hearing on this matter and I waive that right by entering into this agreement.
4. I have been neither subject to coercion nor duress and I am fully aware of the implications of this Affidavit and Conditional Admission.
5. I am aware of the current proceeding regarding my violation of



Rules 1.3 and 1.4 of the Rules of Professional Conduct and Connecticut Practice Book § 2-32 (a) (1) as they specifically relate to my representation of Michael Carter and my failure to respond to the grievance filed by Mr. Carter.

6. I admit that I did not diligently pursue Mr. Carter's claim against the University of Connecticut and I failed to communicate with him about his case, failing to return his calls and failing to keep him informed of what I was doing on his case.
7. I admit that this conduct was in violation of Rules 1.3 and 1.4 of the Rules of Professional Conduct.
8. I further acknowledge that I did not respond to the grievance complaint filed by Mr. Carter and that I did not have good cause for my failure to do so, and that this conduct constituted a violation of Practice Book Section 2-32(a)(1).



Ronald J. Piombino

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 2 day of September 2004.

  
Notary Public  
Commissioner of the Superior Court

**DONNA J. LUDDIE**  
A Notary Public of Connecticut  
My Commission Expires 10/31/05