

*People v. Hurd, No. GC98B079 (consolidated with 00PDJ090), 4/05/01.*

Attorney Regulation. The Presiding Disciplinary Judge accepted the parties' Conditional Admission of Misconduct and suspended Respondent, Linda Wade Hurd, from the practice of law for a period of one year and one day with all but ninety days stayed during a two year period of probation subject to certain conditions. In one matter, Respondent violated Colo. RPC 1.3 by failing to correct information from opposing counsel regarding child support due her client even after her client made her aware of the error. The information was then used as a basis for a court order, resulting in a shortfall in child support to the client. In a second matter, Respondent violated Colo. RPC 1.3, Colo. RPC 3.4(c) and Colo. RPC 8.4(d) by failing to submit a draft order for child support arrearages when directed by the magistrate to do so, resulting in the magistrate deeming the motion abandoned and assessing attorney fees against the Respondent. Respondent then failed to take steps to have the motion for arrearages reinstated. In a third matter, Respondent violated Colo. RPC 1.3 when the court directed Respondent to submit a proposed order and Respondent failed to do so in a timely manner. In a fourth matter, Respondent failed to provide wage and income information to the court and opposing counsel by a date certain after being directed to do so by the court causing opposing counsel to file a motion to compel. Subsequently, Respondent failed to timely file a motion to withdraw, and failed to provide the client's file to replacement counsel. Respondent's actions violated Colo. RPC 1.16(d), Colo. RPC 1.3, Colo. RPC 3.4(c), and Colo. RPC 8.4(d). Respondent was ordered to pay the costs of the proceeding.