

*People v. Meiklejohn*, No. 02PDJ032. 6.11.02. Attorney Regulation.

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' Conditional Admission of Misconduct and disbarred Respondent Scott A. Meiklejohn, attorney registration number 16110, from the practice of law. Respondent represented a client in a personal injury lawsuit. The workers' compensation carrier had a subrogation interest in the case. The parties entered into a settlement, and the respondent agreed that he would deposit the check into his trust account and promptly issue checks to the workers' compensation carrier and the client thereafter. Several months passed and the carrier and client had not received their payment. When respondent ultimately paid the client and carrier, the checks initially were returned for insufficient funds. The check to the client ultimately cleared and the respondent eventually paid the carrier with his own funds. Through his unauthorized exercise of dominion and control over client and third party funds, the respondent violated Colo. RPC 8.4(c). Respondent was ordered to pay the costs of the disciplinary proceeding.