

*People v. Doherty, No. GC96A140, 12/15/1999. Attorney Regulation.*

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge accepted the parties' Conditional Admission of Misconduct and suspended Respondent, James P. Doherty, from the practice of law for a period of seventy-five days subject to certain conditions. Respondent engaged in a conflict of interest by acting as counsel and registered agent for a corporation at the same time he represented a client without adequate disclosure to the client about the nature and extent of possible conflict, in violation of Colo. RPC 1.7 and prior DR 5-101(a). Respondent neglected a legal matter entrusted to him by acting as registered agent for certain corporations and failing to open or read the mail sent to the corporations, which resulted in their being administratively dissolved, constituting a violation of Colo. RPC 1.3 and prior DR 6-101(a)(3). Respondent was ordered to pay the costs of the disciplinary proceedings.