

*People v. Preblud*, 04PDJ114. March 22, 2005. Attorney Regulation. The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' Conditional Admission of Misconduct and suspended Respondent Arlan I. Preblud (Registration No. 2030) from the practice of law for a period of ten months, effective May 21, 2005. This proceeding arises out of Respondent's romantic involvement with a vulnerable domestic relations client, which followed the establishment of an attorney-client relationship. Respondent continued in the representation thereafter. While Respondent and the client initially denied the conduct to disciplinary authorities, Respondent has expressed remorse. Respondent violated Colo. RPC 1.7(b) (representation of a client when the representation of that client may be materially limited by the lawyer's own interests), 8.4(h) (conduct that adversely reflects on the lawyer's fitness to practice law), and 8.4(a) (violation of the rules of professional conduct, or doing so through the act of another). During his suspension, Respondent is subject to certain conditions, including therapy and CLE credits in domestic relations law. When the suspension period has ended, Respondent must file a petition for reinstatement and is subject to reinstatement proceedings pursuant to C.R.C.P. 251.29(c)-(j). Respondent was also ordered to pay the costs incurred in conjunction with this proceeding.