

*People v. Nichols, No. 99PDJ106, 11/03/1999. Attorney Regulation.*

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge accepted the parties' Conditional Admission of Misconduct and suspended Respondent, Russell Herman Nichols, from the practice of law for six months with the full term stayed during a two-year probationary period and subject to certain conditions. Respondent failed to employ appropriate accounting and bookkeeping practices and commingled client funds with his own in violation of Colo. RPC 1.15(a), Colo. RPC 8.4(a), Colo. RPC 8.4(h), and C.R.C.P. 251.5(a). Respondent was ordered to pay the costs of the disciplinary proceedings.