

*People v. Hale.* 09PDJ076. August 18, 2009. Attorney Regulation. The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved a Conditional Admission of Misconduct submitted by the parties and suspended Margaret T. Hale (Attorney Registration No. 31406) from the practice of law for a period of sixty days, all stayed upon the successful completion of a two-year period of probation with conditions, effective August 18, 2009. Respondent recklessly failed to adequately communicate to her client that she could not handle her client's personal injury case to completion. Respondent also recklessly abused her client's trust by surreptitiously using a blank medical release to secure her client's confidential medical records. Respondent's misconduct constituted grounds for the imposition of discipline pursuant to C.R.C.P. 251.5 and violated Colo. RPC 1.2(c) and 8.4(c).