People v. Jason Michael Legg. 25PDJ13. October 8, 2025.

The Presiding Disciplinary Judge approved the parties' stipulation to discipline and suspended Jason Michael Legg (attorney registration number 42946) for one year and one day, with sixty days to be served and the remainder to be stayed upon Legg's successful completion of a two-year period of probation, with conditions. The suspension took effect October 8, 2025.

Around August 2020, Legg and a client discussed bringing an unjust enrichment claim against a mobile home park for evicting the client in November 2019, gaining title to the client's mobile home, selling the mobile home, and retaining the proceeds of the sale. Legg agreed to represent the client in the matter, and he told the client he would file the lawsuit. Even so, the client did not sign Legg's contingency fee agreement explaining the scope of Legg's legal services or the basis of any fee Legg would collect until June 1, 2024.

On December 15, 2021, the client began requesting status updates from Legg, who responded that "suing them is underway" and assured the client that "we're going after them!" But in fact, Legg waited until April 2024 to send a letter notifying the mobile home park of his client's claims and demanding remittance of \$35,000.00 in proceeds from the sale of the client's home. Legg did not file a lawsuit on the client's behalf until November 2024.

During the interim, Legg repeatedly failed to give his client accurate or timely information regarding the viability of the claims and failed to explain to his client that the lawsuit had not yet been filed. He did not reasonably reply to his client's requests for status updates made in May, August, October, and December 2022, and in January and June 2023. Nor did Legg discuss with his client how or if the client's objectives could be accomplished and did not explain that some or all the objectives were unlikely or impossible based on the law and facts available to Legg.

Instead, Legg knowingly made statements misrepresenting the status of the case to the client. In summer 2022, he falsely told the client that he "had a lawsuit" and would "send the lawsuit" to the client. On November 4, 2022, Legg falsely stated to the client that "[the] lawsuit is filed." And when, in mid-April 2023, the client threatened "to go to news stations to 'get . . . some answers and dates," Legg falsely stated that the discovery in the case would be finishing that summer and that he was trying to schedule a mediation.

Through the conduct described above, Legg violated Colo. RPC 1.3 (a lawyer must act with reasonable diligence and promptness when representing a client); Colo. RPC 1.4(a) (a lawyer must reasonably communicate with the client and consult with the client about the client's objectives in the case); Colo. RPC 1.4(b) (a lawyer must explain a matter so as to

permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation); Colo. RPC 1.5(b) (a lawyer must inform a client in writing about the lawyer's fees and expenses within a reasonable time after being retained, if the lawyer has not regularly represented the client); and Colo. RPC 8.4(c) (providing that it is professional misconduct for a lawyer to engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation).

The case file is public per C.R.C.P. 242.41(a).