AARON J. TOLSON
(Client Assistance Fund Payment)

On October 5, 2026, the Idaho State Bar Board of Commissioners entered an Order that concluded Aaron J. Tolson engaged in Dishonest Conduct by refusing to refund an advance payment of fees that he had not earned or incurred, as required by Rule 1.16 of the Idaho Rules of Professional Conduct. The evidence showed Claimant paid Mr. Tolson $6,000 to resolve Claimant's federal tax liability through an IRS Offer in Compromise. Mr. Tolson did limited work on the matter by sending an informal letter, which the Board valued at $60. The Board found that Mr. Tolson did not earn the remaining $5,940 and did not return the funds to the Claimant. The Board concluded Claimant suffered a loss in the amount of $5,940 due to Mr. Tolson's Dishonest Conduct and ordered Claimant be reimbursed that amount from the Client Assistance Fund.

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