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Suspended for one (1) year effective December 12, 1980. He represented an insurance company on large claims against it; in particular, one made for a fire loss that was suspected of being purposely set to collect the policy proceeds. He participated in a plan to surreptitiously extort a confession of arson from said claimant to thus nullify his claim against the insurance carrier. Luther did not originate or promote this scheme; yet, he acquiesced in it, without admonition or protect that he was unwilling to participate in it to accomplish his client's purpose.