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PATRICK, JAMES S. JR.

BPR # 004043

September 14, 1981

County: Davidson

District: 5

Disbarred by order entered September 14, 1981. He had failed to preserve the identity of funds and property delivered to him by third parties for the use and benefit of a client and misappropriated the funds to his own use. He also neglected a legal matter entrusted to him by failing to file an appeal on behalf of the client. In another matter, he willfully failed to file an appellate brief on behalf of his clients which resulted in his also being suspended from practice in the Court of Criminal Appeals for one (1) year. In yet another matter, Disciplinary Counsel appealed the recommendation of a Public Censure by the hearing panel and, after a review, the Chancery Court recommended disbarment after finding that he had accepted an attorney fee to reduce the bond of a client in jail and then never contacted the client, even though he may have made some effort to reduce the bond; failed to properly account for the receipt and disposition of funds and assets of his client, and failed to keep sufficient records to give an accurate accounting to his client; and neglected to properly keep another client's physical evidence in a safe place. He had previously been suspended from the practice of law in 1972 and reinstated in 1974 with a two (2) year probationary period.



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