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LAW LICENSE OF MEMPHIS ATTORNEY SUSPENDED

On May 29, 2002, the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an order suspending the law license of Martin R. Kriger for a period of thirty days conditioned upon Attorney Michael F. Long monitoring Kriger's law practice for a period of one (1) year; and Kriger will not have signatory powers on his law practice trust account, which shall be monitored and controlled by Michael F. Long, being the sole signatory on the trust account; and Kriger shall write and submit an article to "Board Notes" for publication on ethical issues; and Kriger shall, at his expense, attend the Board of Professional Responsibility's annual Ethics Workshop for the year 2002.

Mr. Kriger misrepresented amounts of personal injury settlements to the chiropractor who rendered services to his client and altered amounts shown on settlement checks, copies of which he faxes to the chiropractor, and paid amounts he held for medical payments to his client, not the chiropractor.

Section 18 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Mr. Kriger to notify by registered or certified mail all clients being represented in pending matters; all co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's order suspending his license. Section 18 also requires Mr. Kriger to deliver to all clients any papers or properties to which are entitled. During the thirty day suspension period Mr. Kriger shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant or law clerk, nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

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