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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: N. REESE BAGWELL, JR., BPR NO. 7206**  
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**CLARKSVILLE LAWYER SUSPENDED BY SUPREME COURT**

By order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered September 19, 2001, N. Reese Bagwell, Jr., a Clarksville attorney, was suspended from the practice of law in this state for a period of five years effective August 26, 1999. Mr. Bagwell has been suspended continuously since being temporarily suspended on January 9, 1998.

A Petition and Six Supplemental Petitions for Discipline had been filed against Mr. Bagwell by the Board of Professional Responsibility. Mr. Bagwell had previously been suspended for two years effective August 26, 1999, after default judgments had been granted on two of the Supplemental Petitions for Discipline. Mr. Bagwell entered into a Conditional Plea of Guilty with the Board of Professional Responsibility to resolve the Petition and Supplemental Petitions for Discipline in exchange for a stated form of discipline. Mr. Bagwell plead guilty to failing to earn or refund legal fees, failing to withdraw from employment, failing to act competently in representing clients, failing to perform legal services, failing to represent clients zealously, and failing to preserve the identify of funds and property of clients.

Mr. Bagwell agreed and the Court further ordered that Mr. Bagwell pay the costs of the disciplinary proceedings in the amount of \$23,614.33 before he can be reinstated and to comply in all respects with Supreme Court Rule 9 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

Mr. Bagwell may be reinstated to the practice of law at the expiration of the five-year period only upon filing a Petition for Reinstatement, as required in Section 19 of Supreme Court Rule 9, and producing clear and convincing evidence that he should be reinstated to the practice of law.