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ALLISON, JAMES T.

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March 16, 1998

County: Shelby

District: 9

Public censure on March 16, 1998. He was charged with overdrawing his client's trust account and commingling personal and operating funds within; for paying personal and operating expenses from his trust account; and for settling a personal injury client's case in March 1991 but not paying, in full, the claim of a medical provider, to whom he referred his client, for over 5 years when he signed a lien. The petition for discipline also alleged that he knowingly delayed payment of this amount, that he willfully concealed the fact of settlement from this medical provider for several years; continued to provide false reasons for his failure to pay this account; and that he misappropriated these client trust funds to his own use. He also improperly paid advances to a client for personal living expenses prior to the settlement of this client's legal matter and to have taken action on behalf of a client when he should have known that the action would serve to harass the medical provider



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