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MEMPHIS LAWYER SUSPENDED FROM PRACTICE OF LAW

On April 16, 2002 the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an order suspending the law license of John R. Candy for a period of thirty (30) days; ordered Candy to refund \$13,700,00 immediately to the estate of Stan Perry; immediately issue duplicate checks to Thomas Shouse in the amounts of \$625.93 and \$93.25; ordered Candy to give settlement statements to any clients to whom he disburses any money in the future; ordered Candy to reimburse the Board of Professional Responsibility for the costs and expenses of the disciplinary proceedings, and ordered Candy to set up a trust accounting system in compliance with Formal Ethics Opinion 89-F-121.

Candy failed to adequately communicate with his clients; failed to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client; failed to explain matters to the extent necessary to permit his clients to make informed decisions regarding the representation and by failing to seek the lawful objective of his clients; failed to use his escrow account in compliance with DR 9-102(A)(B); and charged an excessive fee all of which were in violation of the disciplinary rules containing the Code of Professional Responsibility.

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