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## MCALPIN, NEAL JR.

**BPR # 010803** 

May 25, 1989

Public censure on May 25, 1989. He signed an assignment to a doctor to whom his client owed money for medical treatment, giving the doctor a lien on the proceeds of any positive recovery for the client. He failed to withhold the amount owed to the doctor when the settlement check was received; failed to honor his promise to promptly pay the doctor for over 5 months; and did so only after a disciplinary complaint was filed. In another matter, he was appointed to represent a criminal defendant. After the Court of Appeals affirmed his client's conviction, he failed to timely file a petition to rehear. He was granted a motion for extension, but the petition to rehear was denied on its merits. McAlpin had 30 days to file his application for permission to appeal to the Tennessee Supreme Court but failed to timely file his application, resulting in a dismissal. He filed a motion to vacate and reinstate, but the motion was denied for failure to follow correct procedures.



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