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## DANDRIDGE LAWYER'S LAW LICENSE SUSPENDED

On March 17, 2003 the law license of Kevin A. Linsley of Dandridge was suspended for three years by the Supreme Court of Tennessee pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee. At the end of the 3 years Mr. Linsley's license will not be automatically reinstated. He must file a petition for reinstatement with the Board and prove by clear and convincing evidence at a hearing before a hearing committee of the Board that he has obtained the necessary moral qualifications, competency and learning in law to justify his return and that his return to the practice of law will not be detrimental to the integrity of the bar, to the administration of justice, and to the public interest.

Disciplinary Counsel initiated this matter by filing a petition alleging that Mr. Linsley had violated the attorney's code of ethics (Rule 8, Rules of the Supreme Court). A hearing was held before a three-member hearing panel of the Board. Mr. Linsley did not appear at that hearing. The Hearing Panel recommended that Mr. Linsley's law license be suspended for three years. This recommendation was approved by the Board of Professional Responsibility and the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Linsley neglected several clients; failed to adequately communicate with them, keeping unearned fees and in some matters making misrepresentations regarding his clients' cases.

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