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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: GARY LEE ANDERSON, BPR #004515
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KNOX COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

Effective July 2, 2024, the Supreme Court of Tennessee suspended Gary Lee Anderson from the practice of law pursuant to Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 9, § 12.2, for five (5) years, followed by a period of indefinite suspension until he has made restitution to former client Charles Nelson in the amount of \$1,370.00.

A Petition for Discipline containing three (3) complaints was filed by the Board alleging Mr. Anderson failed to reasonably communicate with his clients regarding the status of their cases; failed to act in a diligent manner and expedite the clients' litigation; failed to communicate with clients reasonably; failed to obtain informed consent from actual client following payment from a family member, failed to respond to requests for information from disciplinary counsel; charged an unreasonable fee, failed to delineate and/or specify any limitations on the scope of his representation; non-refundable fee without the client executing a written agreement; accepted client referrals from a non-registered intermediary organization; and failed to take reasonable steps to protect the clients' interest after terminating the representation.

The Hearing Panel found that Mr. Anderson knowingly violated Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.1 (competence), 1.2 (scope of representation), 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.8 (conflict of interest: current clients: specific Rules), 8.1(b) (bar admission and disciplinary matters), and 8.4 (a), (c), and (d) (misconduct).

Mr. Anderson must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, §§ 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.