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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JOHNATHAN KENNETH BORSODI, BPR #25892
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KNOX COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On December 10, 2013, Johnathan Kenneth Borsodi, of Knoxville, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for three (3) years retroactive to a Temporary Suspension Order entered on July 25, 2012. Pursuant to the Order of Enforcement, Mr. Borsodi shall submit to an evaluation by Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (TLAP), pay restitution to his former client, and pay the cost and expense of the disciplinary proceedings. Payment of restitution and contact with TLAP are conditions precedent to Mr. Borsodi's reinstatement to the practice of law, and if reinstated, Mr. Borsodi shall engage a practice monitor and enter into a monitoring agreement for a period of one year.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Johnathan Kenneth Borsodi on January 24, 2013. The Hearing Panel determined Mr. Borsodi accepted a non-refundable fee in the amount of \$7,500.00 and thereafter, misrepresented to his client the appeal was progressing. The client later discovered the appeal had never been filed. Further, the Hearing Panel found Mr. Borsodi failed to respond to his client's requests for information, abandoned his legal practice without notice to his client and failed to respond to the Petition for Discipline.

The Hearing Panel found Mr. Borsodi's actions violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 8.1 (bar admission and disciplinary matters), and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Borsodi must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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