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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: TROY LEE BOWLIN, BPR #025893
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KNOX COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

Effective April 20, 2023, the Supreme Court of Tennessee, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 12.2 and 14.1, suspended Troy Lee Bowlin from the practice of law for three (3) years with thirty (30) days served as an active suspension and remainder served on probation with conditions, including completion of the Board Trust Account Workshop, an immediate independent audit and reconciliation of all trust accounts by a certified public accountant, monthly reconciliation of trust account by Mr. Bowlin, with review of the trust account by a certified public accountant every six months, and completion of five additional continuing legal education ethics hours each suspension year.

A Petition for Discipline containing one (1) complaint was filed by the Board on March 1, 2022. Mr. Bowlin failed to properly maintain client and third-party funds in the law firm's trust account, failed to audit and reconcile the firm's trust account on a reasonable basis, and failed to make reasonable efforts to ensure his firm had effective measures in place to properly oversee that nonlawyer staff conduct was compatible with his professional obligations.

Mr. Bowlin executed a conditional guilty plea acknowledging his conduct violated Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15 (safekeeping property and funds) and 5.3 (responsibilities regarding nonlawyer assistants).

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

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