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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ANDREWNETTA MELISSA BOYD, BPR #25894
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December 21, 2015

SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On December 21, 2015, Andrewnetta Melissa Boyd, of Memphis, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for one (1) year, with thirty (30) days to be served as active suspension and the remainder on probation. As conditions of probation, Ms. Boyd must have a practice monitor and undergo an evaluation by Tennessee Lawyer's Assistance Program (TLAP) and enter into a monitoring agreement if deemed appropriate by TLAP. Ms. Boyd must also pay restitution to a client. The suspension begins on December 21, 2015. Ms. Boyd must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

Ms. Boyd failed to act with diligence in the handling of a petition to change custody, failed to deposit an unearned fee in a trust account and failed to refund the fee when terminated prior to performing the work.

Ms. Boyd's actions violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.15(c) (safekeeping property and funds), 1.16(d) (declining or terminating representation), and 8.4(a) (misconduct).

Ms. Boyd must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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