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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CHRISTOPHER LEE BROWN, BPR #15788
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SHELBY COUNTY ATTORNEY SUSPENDED

On September 27, 2013, Christopher Lee Brown of Memphis, Tennessee was suspended for three years by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. He must also make restitution to two clients, consult with the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program and pay the Board of Professional Responsibility's costs in this matter.

On June 2, 2011, the Board filed a Petition for Discipline and on April 23, 2012, filed a Supplemental Petition for Discipline alleging that Mr. Brown failed to act diligently and failed to communicate adequately with five clients. In addition, Mr. Brown accepted referrals from an unregistered intermediary organization in two matters. Mr. Brown also failed to comply with an order of the Hearing Panel and made a false statement to the Hearing Panel.

His actions violate the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.1, Competence; 1.2(a), Scope of Representation; 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.16(d), Declining or Terminating Representation; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 4.1(a), Truthfulness in Statements to Others; 7.1 Communications Concerning a Lawyer's Services; 7.3(b)(2), Solicitation of Potential Clients; 7.6(b)(1)(iv), Intermediary Organizations; and 8.4(a), (c) and (d), Misconduct. In addition, the Hearing Panel concluded that Mr. Brown violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct in his *pro se* representation during the disciplinary proceeding: 3.3, Candor toward the Tribunal; 8.1(b), Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters; and 8.4(g), Misconduct.

Mr. Brown must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19 should he seek reinstatement of his Tennessee law license and he may not resume practice until reinstated by further order of this Court.

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