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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CHRISTOPHER LEE BROWN, BPR #15788
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SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

On March 30, 2016, Christopher Lee Brown, of Memphis, Tennessee, was disbarred from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. In addition, Mr. Brown must make restitution as a condition of reinstatement. The order is effective March 30, 2016. Mr. Brown must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

Mr. Brown took a fee from a client and failed to perform the work for which he was retained. He failed to refund the unearned fee. He failed to advise the client of his prior suspensions in violation of a Tennessee Supreme Court order. He made misrepresentations to his client leading him to believe that he was continuing to work on his matter when he was not. Mr. Brown abandoned the representation of his client and also abandoned his law practice.

Mr. Brown's ethical misconduct violated Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.16, Declining and Terminating Representation; and 8.4(a), (c) and (g), Misconduct.

Mr. Brown was previously suspended for three (3) years by the Tennessee Supreme Court on October 7, 2013 and disbarred on July 20, 2015. He has not been reinstated from the suspension or disbarment.

Mr. Brown 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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