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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JIMMY VALLEJO DELGADO, BPR #22373
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TEXAS LAWYER DISBARRED

On August 7, 2013, Jimmy Vallejo Delgado, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee and Texas, was disbarred by the Tennessee Supreme Court and Mr. Delgado was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$96,826.00 to former clients in addition to paying costs of the disciplinary proceedings.

On June 1, 2012, the Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Delgado based upon his representation of clients in a Georgia wrongful death case. A hearing panel found Mr. Delgado never informed his clients that he was not licensed to practice law in Georgia. He did not meet with his clients personally, and he settled the wrongful death case without his clients' knowledge or consent. Mr. Delgado failed to promptly remit settlement funds to his clients.

Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, RPC 8.5, Mr. Delgado's conduct violated Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2(a) (Scope of Representation); 1.15(I) and (II) (Safekeeping Property); 5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law); 8.4 (Misconduct); and 9.4 (Jurisdiction and Reciprocal Discipline). In addition, Mr. Delgado has violated Tennessee Rule of Professional Conduct 8.1(b) by failing to respond to the Board of Professional Responsibility regarding a complaint of misconduct.

Mr. Delgado must comply with Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 Sections 18 and 19 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. He must pay the Board's costs and expenses prior to reinstatement to the practice of law.

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