



**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
OF THE
SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE**

10 CADILLAC DRIVE, SUITE 220
BRENTWOOD, TENNESSEE 37027
TELEPHONE: (615) 361-7500
(800) 486-5714
FA24: (615) 367-2480
E-MAIL: ethics@tbpr.org
Website: www.tbpr.org

RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: MATTHEW DAVID DUNN, BPR #030759
CONTACT: JOSEPH K. BYRD
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
615-361-7500

June 10, 2020

WILLIAMSON COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

Effective June 10, 2020, the Supreme Court of Tennessee disbarred Matthew David Dunn from the practice of law and ordered restitution in the amount of \$95,621.00, and costs of the disciplinary proceeding be paid. This order disbaring Mr. Dunn is based upon a Petition for Discipline involving thirty-one (31) separate disciplinary complaints filed against Mr. Dunn.

In twelve of the disciplinary complaints filed, Mr. Dunn participated in a timeshare relief system that did not actually provide any relief to the complainants. Mr. Dunn would send a form letter to the timeshare agency, but then he abandoned each client. The remaining complaints involve Mr. Dunn assigning client files to associates within his firm. The associate would leave the firm, and the client would remain with the Dunn Law Firm. However, Mr. Dunn failed to communicate or work the client's file. Mr. Dunn abandoned his practice and failed to respond to the complaints filed against him.

Mr. Dunn admitted violating Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 1.2 (scope of representation and allocation of authority between client and lawyer), 8.1(b) (bar and disciplinary matters), and 8.4(a) (misconduct), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 3.4(c) (fairness to the opposing party and counsel), 5.1 (responsibility of a partner, managing lawyer, or supervising lawyer), 5.3 (responsibilities regarding non-lawyer assistants), 5.4(a) (professional independence of a lawyer), 7.1 (communications concerning a lawyer's services), 7.6 (intermediary organizations), 8.1(b) (bar admissions and disciplinary matters) and 8.4(a) and (d) (misconduct).

Mr. Dunn must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and may not return to the active practice of law until an order of reinstatement has been entered by the Supreme Court.