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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: KEVIN LEE FEATHERSTON, #14842**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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October 27, 2008

**CHATTANOOGA LAWYER SUSPENDED**

On October 21, 2008, Kevin Lee Featherston, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, was suspended for ninety (90) days by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. The suspension is effective beginning October 31, 2008.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Kevin Lee Featherston pursuant to Rule 9 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee. Mr. Featherston breached his fiduciary duty to his law firm by failing to report income and expenditures he received through a jointly owned title company to his fellow law firm shareholders. Further, Mr. Featherston made a number of unauthorized withdrawals from the title company for personal expenses and purchases. A Hearing Panel recommended that Mr. Featherston be suspended for thirty (30) days. The Board appealed the Hearing Panel's recommendation by filing a Writ of Certiorari to the Chancery Court of Hamilton County. The Court found that the suspension should be increased to ninety (90) days. Neither party appealed from the Court's decision. Mr. Featherston is also required to pay the Board's costs in this matter.

Mr. Featherston's actions violate the following Rule(s) of Professional Conduct: 1.15, Safekeeping of Property and 8.4(b)(c), Misconduct.

Mr. Featherston must comply with Section 18 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys

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