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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: A. SAIS PHILLIPS FINNEY, BPR #028845
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December 5, 2022

SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

Effective December 5, 2022, the Supreme Court of Tennessee suspended A. Sais Phillips Finney from the practice of law for four (4) years with three (3) years being an active suspension and the remaining one (1) year on probation pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court, Rule 9, Section 12.2. During the one (1) year probationary period, Ms. Finney shall employ and utilize, at her own cost, a practice monitor in accordance with all requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.9.

A Petition for Discipline consisting of two (2) complaints was filed by the Board alleging that Ms. Finney failed to reasonably communicate with her clients regarding the status of their case, charged an excessive fee for the work performed and failed to refund all or a portion of retainers. Ms. Finney has knowingly committed the following violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.4(a) (communication), 1.5(a) (fees), 1.16(d)(6) (declining and terminating representation), and 8.4(d) (misconduct).

Ms. Finney must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

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