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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CARRIE LEIGH GASAWAY, BPR #18746
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

Effective October 9, 2017, the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an Order disbarring Carrie Leigh Gasaway from the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.1, and requiring payment of restitution and costs of the disciplinary proceeding. Ms. Gasaway was previously disbarred by Order entered October 15, 2015, and said Order remains in effect.

A Petition for Discipline (2016-2653-6-AW) was filed November 9, 2016, containing three (3) complaints alleging misappropriation of funds from trust, lack of diligent representation and charging of an unreasonable fee. A Petition for Final Discipline (2016-2629-6-AW-22.3) was filed December 1, 2016, based upon Ms. Gasaway's criminal conviction for felony theft in excess of \$10,000.00.

Both disciplinary actions were consolidated and tried before a Hearing Panel who determined Ms. Gasaway's conduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence); 1.4 (communication); 1.5 (fees); 1.15 (safekeeping property and funds); 1.16 (terminating representation) and 8.4(a), (b), (c) and (d) (misconduct) and ordered restitution totaling \$57,899.45 be paid to four (4) former clients.

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

Gasaway 2653-6; 2629-6 rel.doc