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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: FRED T. HANZELIK, BPR #4773
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## CHATTANOOGA LAWYER SUSPENDED

On October 18, 2012, the Tennessee Supreme Court entered an Order suspending Fred T. Hanzelik for one year, with six months actual suspension and the remaining six months served on probation.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline and Supplemental Petitions for Discipline against Mr. Hanzelik for neglect of clients' cases, failing to act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing clients, and failing to adequately communicate with clients. Mr. Hanzelik entered into a Conditional Guilty Plea to resolve the Board's disciplinary charges. Mr. Hanzelik's actions violate Rules of Professional Conduct; 1.3 (diligence); 1.4 (communication); 3.2 (expediting litigation); 3.4 (fairness to opposing party and counsel); and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Hanzelik must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18 regarding suspended attorneys.

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