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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: MICHAEL GLEN HATMAKER, BPR #005391**  
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## **CAMPBELL COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED**

On October 12, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an order suspending Michael Glen Hatmaker from the practice of law for a five-year (5) period with minimum of four (4) years served as an active suspension and the remainder served on probation. The suspension is effective upon the entry of the Order. The grant of probation is conditioned upon satisfaction of an outstanding judgment, the engagement of a Practice Monitor pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.9(c) and incurring no new disciplinary complaints resulting in a recommendation by the Board for discipline.

Mr. Hatmaker executed a conditional guilty plea acknowledging he made material misrepresentations to clients and opposing counsel, failed to expedite litigation and diligently represent clients, failed to reasonably communicate with clients, and failed to properly maintain client funds in his trust account. Mr. Hatmaker acknowledged his conduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (Diligence), 1.4 (Communication), 1.5 (Fees), 1.15 (Safekeeping Property and Funds), and 8.4 (Misconduct).

Mr. Hatmaker must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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