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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: WESLEY LYNN HATMAKER, BPR #014880**  
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**CAMPBELL COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED**

On May 22, 2018, Wesley Lynn Hatmaker, of Jacksboro, Tennessee, was disbarred from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. As a condition of reinstatement, Mr. Hatmaker must make restitution to one former client. The disbarment begins on May 22, 2018. Mr. Hatmaker must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

In his representation of one client, Mr. Hatmaker did not provide his client with a written fee agreement, failed to perform the work for which he was retained, abandoned his representation, failed to properly terminate the relationship, and failed to refund his client for the work he did not perform. In his representation of a second client, Mr. Hatmaker took no further action in the case after receiving payment for his representation. Mr. Hatmaker continued to invoice his client and told his client everything was fine in the case; however, when the Court placed the case on the trial calendar six years later, the client obtained new counsel who determined that Mr. Hatmaker had done nothing on behalf of this client. In both cases, Mr. Hatmaker failed to inform his clients that he had been suspended from the practice of law in January 2016.

Mr. Hatmaker's ethical misconduct violates Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.16(d), Terminating Representation; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 8.1(b), Disciplinary Matters; and 8.4 (a) (c) (d) and (g), Misconduct.

Mr. Hatmaker was previously disbarred by the Tennessee Supreme Court on October 3, 2016, and August 10, 2017, and remains disbarred.

Mr. Hatmaker must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys.