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

Effective April 7, 2022, the Supreme Court of Tennessee permanently disbarred Michael Glen Hatmaker from the practice of law.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Mr. Hatmaker containing two (2) complaints of misconduct. In the first complaint, Mr. Hatmaker was retained to represent his client in a criminal matter and received a \$7,500.00 fee. After being suspended from the practice of law, Mr. Hatmaker failed to refund the unearned balance of the retainer to his client and failed to comply with the terms and conditions of the Order of Enforcement entered by the Supreme Court. In the second complaint, Mr. Hatmaker set aside a default judgment without the knowledge or authorization of his client and took no action thereafter to prosecute his client's action or reasonably communicate with his client about the status of her case. In addition, Mr. Hatmaker failed to respond to the Board about either disciplinary complaint.

Mr. Hatmaker executed a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging his misconduct violated RPC 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.16 (termination of representation), 3.2 (expediting litigation), 8.1(b) (disciplinary matters) and 8.4(d) and (g) (prejudice to the administration of justice).

Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Mr. Hatmaker is not eligible for reinstatement to the practice of law in this state.

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

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