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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ANGELA JOY HOPSON, BPR #022500
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MADISON COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On September 13, 2018, the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an order suspending Angela Joy Hopson from the practice of law for a period of two (2) years, with thirty (30) days served as active suspension and the remainder on probation. Ms. Hopson is required to engage a practice monitor during the probationary period and to pay the costs of the disciplinary proceeding. The suspension is effective immediately.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline against Ms. Hopson based upon one (1) complaint of ethical misconduct arising from her representation of a criminal defendant. A hearing panel determined that Ms. Hopson failed to properly manage communication with her client who was incarcerated, causing the client and his family to contact the trial court on multiple occasions with their complaints.

Ms. Hopson's misconduct violates Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4(a)(3) and (4), (Communication). Ms. Hopson must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

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