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SHELBY COUNTY ATTORNEY DISBARRED

On November 15, 2011, the Tennessee Supreme Court disbarred David J. Johnson, of Shelby County, Tennessee, effective November 25, 2011. Mr. Johnson consented to disbarment because he could not successfully defend himself on charges filed against him by the Board alleging that he misappropriated client funds for his own use and benefit. Mr. Johnson's actions violated Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rule of Professional Conduct 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Johnson must comply with the requirements of Section 19 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, should he seek reinstatement of his Tennessee law license, and may not resume the practice of law until reinstated by further Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. Mr. Johnson must further comply with Section 18 of Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys.

Johnson 34215; 34258; 34296-9 rel.doc

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