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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
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## KNOX COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On July 24, 2015, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended John Thomas Jones from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Jones misappropriated funds and poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 12.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law in cases of an attorney's misappropriation of funds.

Mr. Jones is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by August 23, 2015. After August 23, 2015, Mr. Jones shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Jones must notify all clients being represented in pending matters, as well as co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending his law license. Mr. Jones is required to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

This suspension remains in effect until dissolution or modification by the Supreme Court. Mr. Jones may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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