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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: LORING EDWIN JUSTICE, BPR # 019446
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KNOX COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

Effective February 19, 2026, the Supreme Court of Tennessee suspended Knoxville attorney Loring Edwin Justice from the practice of law for four (4) years, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.2, with all four (4) years to be served as an active suspension. Mr. Justice must also make payment of all Board costs and expenses.

The Petition for Discipline filed in this matter alleged that Mr. Justice and his firm entered into a fee agreement without client authorization, charged excessive and unreasonable fees that were unsupported by billing records, abused the fiduciary relationship with the client, failed to reasonably communicate with or diligently represent a client, failed to protect his client's interests after withdrawal or termination, and engaged in misconduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation.

On December 3, 2025, Mr. Justice executed a Conditional Guilty Plea as to violations of Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct ("RPC") 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communications), 1.5 (fees), 1.8 (conflict of interest: specific rules), 1.16 (declining or terminating representing), and 8.4(c) (misconduct).

Mr. Justice 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.