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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: JERRY DEWAYNE KERLEY, BPR #12685
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SEVIER COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

On January 25, 2017, Jerry DeWayne Kerley of Sevierville, Tennessee, was disbarred by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court retroactive to June 21, 2012.

The Tennessee Supreme Court suspended Mr. Kerley on June 21, 2012, pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 14 (2006), based upon his conviction of conspiracy to commit wire fraud, wire fraud, bank fraud, false statements, and money laundering. The Board of Professional Responsibility instituted a formal proceeding to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed. A hearing panel entered a judgment finding that Mr. Kerley should be disbarred.

Mr. Kerley's actions violated Rules of Professional Conduct 8.4(a), (b) and (c), Misconduct.

Mr. Kerley must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 (2006) and 30.4 (2014), regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys. Mr. Kerley must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

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