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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JOHN LYNDON LOWERY, BPR #16195**  
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**DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED**

On June 24, 2016, John Lyndon Lowery, of Nashville, Tennessee, was disbarred from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. In addition, Mr. Lowery must make restitution to nine clients as a condition of reinstatement. The disbarment begins June 24, 2016. Mr. Lowery must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement.

Mr. Lowery settled nine cases without his clients' knowledge or consent, signed their names to settlement checks without their permission, misappropriated the settlement funds and made misrepresentations to the clients to make them think their cases were progressing normally. In a tenth case, he failed to take any action resulting in the case being dismissed and failed to inform his client. Mr. Lowery pled guilty in Davidson County Criminal Court to seven counts of theft and eight counts of forgery, all felonies.

Mr. Lowery's ethical misconduct violated Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1, Competence; 1.2, Scope of Representation; 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.5, Fees; 1.15, Safekeeping Property and Funds; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 8.1, Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters; and 8.4, Misconduct.

Mr. Lowery was previously suspended for failure to pay professional privilege tax on September 29, 2015. That suspension remains in effect. On May 28, 2015, Mr. Lowery was temporarily suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court for posing a threat of substantial harm to the public. As Mr. Lowery is now disbarred, the temporary suspension is dissolved.

Mr. Lowery must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.