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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: THOMAS FLEMING MABRY, BPR #9065
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KNOXVILLE LAWYER SUSPENDED

On December 30, 2014, the Tennessee Supreme Court suspended Thomas Fleming Mabry, of Knoxville, from the practice of law for forty-five (45) days. Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18 (2006), the suspension will be effective beginning January 9, 2015.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a petition for discipline against Mr. Mabry containing three (3) complaints of disciplinary misconduct. A Hearing Panel determined that Mr. Mabry committed ethical misconduct in relation to one of the complaints by failing to exercise appropriate diligence in the representation of a client. Mr. Mabry failed to respond to a notice of sanctions and to a motion to dismiss filed by an opposing party. The opposing party sought dismissal because Mr. Mabry had already dismissed one (1) of two (2) defendants in a civil conspiracy case, but failed to simultaneously dismiss the other alleged co-conspirator when the claim became moot. The Hearing Panel's decision was affirmed by Knox County Chancery Court and the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Mabry's actions violate the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.3, Diligence, and 8.4(a), Misconduct.

Mr. Mabry must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18 (2006) and 30 (2014) regarding the responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.