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## SHELBY COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On January 7, 2014, William T. Maxwell, of Memphis, Tennessee, was suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court for one (1) year, retroactive to July 19, 2012, the date he was transferred from Disability Inactive Status to Active Status. He must pay the Board of Professional Responsibility's costs and expenses within ninety days of the entry of the Order of Enforcement. Prior to reinstatement, Mr. Maxwell must comply with any recommendations of the Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program and engage a practice monitor regarding his trust account.

On May 16, 2013, following Mr. Maxwell's self-report that he had misappropriated funds from his real estate trust account, a Petition for Discipline was filed against Mr. Maxwell. Mr. Maxwell returned the misappropriated funds prior to self-reporting his conduct. Mr. Maxwell's actions violated RPC 1.15 (safekeeping property), and; 8.4 (a), (b) and (c) (misconduct).

Mr. Maxwell must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys.

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