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JACKSON LAWYER SUSPENDED

Stephen M. Milam, a Jackson lawyer, was summarily suspended from the practice of law by the Tennessee Supreme Court on June 26, 2007. Mr. Milam pled guilty to serious crimes, i.e., obtaining or attempting to obtain a controlled substance by fraud; possession of Schedule III controlled substance; and obtaining/attempting to obtain controlled substance by fraud.

Section 18 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 requires Mr. Milam to notify by registered or certified mail all clients being represented in pending matters; all co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending him. Section 18 of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9 also requires Mr. Milam to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled. Mr. Milam is further prohibited from maintaining a presence where the practice of law is conducted and is required to refrain from the use of any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, law clerk or similar title.

The Court further ordered that this matter be referred to the Board of Professional Responsibility for institution of a formal proceeding in which the sole issue to be determined shall be the extent of final discipline to be imposed as a result of Mr. Milam's plea.

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