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**KNOXVILLE LAWYER REINSTATED BY SUPREME COURT**

Robert E. Nichols, a Knoxville attorney, has been reinstated to the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered on January 29, 2007. Mr. Nichols was temporarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Supreme Court filed November 21, 2006, for failing to respond to complaints of misconduct. On October 26, 2006, Mr. Nichols filed responses to the complaints, and on December 6, 2006, Mr. Nichols filed a Petition for Dissolution of Order of Temporary Suspension. A hearing was conducted on December 8, 2006, before a Hearing Panel of the Board of Professional Responsibility. On January 5, 2007, the Hearing Panel recommended that the temporary suspension be dissolved. The January 29, 2007, Order of the Supreme Court required Mr. Nichols to pay the costs of the disciplinary proceeding.

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