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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
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PUTNAM COUNTY LAWYER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

On July 12, 2017, the Supreme Court of Tennessee temporarily suspended Albert Fitzpatrick Officer, III, from the practice of law upon finding that Mr. Officer poses a threat of substantial harm to the public. Section 12.3 of Supreme Court Rule 9 provides for the immediate summary suspension of an attorney's license to practice law if an attorney poses a threat of substantial harm to the public.

Mr. Officer is immediately precluded from accepting any new cases, and he must cease representing existing clients by August 11, 2017. After August 11, 2017, Mr. Officer shall not use any indicia of lawyer, legal assistant, or law clerk nor maintain a presence where the practice of law is conducted.

Mr. Officer must notify all clients being represented in pending matters, as well as co-counsel and opposing counsel of the Supreme Court's Order suspending his law license. Mr. Officer is required to deliver to all clients any papers or property to which they are entitled.

This suspension remains in effect until dissolution or modification by the Supreme Court. Mr. Officer may for good cause request dissolution or modification of the suspension by petition to the Supreme Court.

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