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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: JOHN EARL RAINWATER, REG. NO 621**  
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**KNOXVILLE LAWYER REINSTATED BY SUPREME COURT**

John Earl Rainwater, a Knoxville attorney, has been reinstated to the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court entered on July 20, 2005. Mr. Rainwater was temporarily suspended from the practice of law by Order of the Supreme Court on April 22, 2005, for failing to respond to a complaint of misconduct. On May 23, 2005, Mr. Rainwater filed a Petition to Dissolve Temporary Suspension and a response to the complaint. A hearing was conducted on June 17, 2005. On June 27, 2005, the Hearing Panel recommended that the temporary suspension be dissolved. In the July 20, 2005, Order, the Supreme Court required Mr. Rainwater to pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility and to the Appellate Court Clerk the costs and expenses of this proceeding.

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