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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT R. REXRODE, BPR #16508
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## KNOX COUNTY LAWYER ON PROBATION

On January 6, 2015, Robert R. Rexrode, of Knox County, Tennessee was suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court for one (1) year all of which is to be served on probation subject to the condition that he engage a practice monitor.

A Petition for Discipline was filed on May 16, 2014, alleging that Mr. Rexrode failed to act with reasonable diligence by not promptly filing a motion for his client to use cash collateral, attempted to collect fees before obtaining court approval, submitted fee applications that failed to follow Bankruptcy procedures for identification of time devoted to the case, neglected his client's case and charged an unreasonable fee. Mr. Rexrode entered into a Conditional Guilty Plea admitting to the misconduct.

Mr. Rexrode's conduct violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3, (diligence); 1.2, (competence); 1.4, (communication); 1.5, (fees); 3.3, (candor toward the tribunal), and; 8.4, (misconduct). The Supreme Court's Order will go into effect ten (10) days from the date of entry.

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