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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CHARLES A. SEVIER, BPR# 007648
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## MEMPHIS LAWYER SUSPENDED

On December 23, 2009, Charles A. Sevier of Memphis, Tennessee, was suspended by the Tennessee Supreme Court, pursuant to a Conditional Guilty Plea, for a period of one (1) year pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.2, of the Rules of the Supreme Court. However, pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 8.5, the imposition of the final six (6) months of the suspension will be suspended, and Mr. Sevier placed on probation for a period of six (6) months following six (6) months of active suspension.

Mr. Sevier violated disciplinary rules by failing to inform his client that he had an affair with the client's wife prior to representing him in a divorce proceeding against the wife. Mr. Sevier's actions violated Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.7 (Conflict of Interest) and 8.4 (Misconduct).

Mr. Sevier was furthered ordered to pay the expenses and costs of the disciplinary proceedings against him, pursuant to Rule 9, Section 4.7, of the Rules of the Supreme Court and fully comply in all respects with the requirements and obligations of suspended attorneys as set forth in Rule 9, Section 18.1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

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