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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: DANIEL RAFAEL SOLLA, BPR #31500
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## KNOX COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

On April 21, 2015, Daniel Rafael Solla, of Flowery Branch, Georgia, formerly of Knoxville, Tennessee, was disbarred from the practice of law by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. Mr. Solla was ordered to pay restitution to eighteen (18) former clients, or to the Lawyer's Fund for Client Protection, if appropriate. Finally, Mr. Solla must pay the Board's costs and expenses and the court costs.

The Board filed a Petition for Discipline, a Supplemental Petition for Discipline, and a Second Supplemental Petition for Discipline, against Mr. Solla based upon twenty (20) complaints of misconduct. The primary issue in all of the complaints is abandonment of practice. In April 2013, Mr. Solla left his law practice without advising his clients. He failed to communicate with clients, failed to attend meetings, and failed to attend court on behalf of his clients. Mr. Solla entered into a Conditional Guilty Plea admitting to this misconduct.

Mr. Solla admits his guilt of violating Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (Competence), 1.3 (Diligence), 1.4 (Communication), 1.5(a)(b)(f) (Fees), 1.15(a) (Safekeeping Property and Funds), 1.16(d) (Declining and Terminating Representation), 8.1(b) (Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters), and 8.4(a)(b)(c)(d) (Misconduct).

Mr. Solla must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18 (2006) and Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 30.4 (2014), regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement.

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