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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: PERRY LEE STOUT, BPR #023917
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JOHNSON COUNTY LAWYER DISBARRED

Effective January 17, 2025, the Supreme Court of Tennessee disbarred Perry Lee Stout from the practice of law.

Mr. Stout was temporarily suspended by the Supreme Court of Tennessee on February 28, 2024, after pleading guilty to a serious crime. The Court ordered the Board of Professional Responsibility to institute formal proceedings to determine the extent of final discipline to be imposed on Mr. Stout.

On January 17, 2024, Mr. Stout signed a plea agreement in Johnson County Circuit Court admitting to the commission of two (2) felonies: (1) Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Sell not less than ten (10) or more than seventy (70) pounds of marijuana, a Schedule VI controlled substance, and (2) Money Laundering. Mr. Stout entered guilty pleas to these offenses two days later and was sentenced to an effective eight (8) year sentence for these crimes on May 2, 2024.

Mr. Stout entered into a conspiracy in 2022 to sell illegal drugs in a tri-state region, which included Johnson County. While an attorney and later as an elected General Sessions Judge, Mr. Stout invested in the purchase of illegal drugs and participated in illegal drug trafficking with the intent to sell or deliver the drugs in the Johnson County region.

The Hearing Panel found that Mr. Stout knowingly violated the Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct, to wit: 8.4 (a), (b), (c), and (d) (misconduct).

Mr. Stout must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, § 28, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of disbarred attorneys and shall pay the Board's costs incurred as a result of these proceedings pursuant to the Hearing Panel's order.

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