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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: CAPP PETERSON TAYLOR, BPR #025820
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JEFFERSON COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

On January 8, 2020, the Supreme Court of Tennessee entered an order suspending Capp Peterson Taylor from the practice of law pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.2, for a period of two (2) years and ordered payment of costs to the Board for all costs in the disciplinary proceeding.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline on November 19, 2018, consisting of three (3) complaints of misconduct. The three (3) complaints arose from Mr. Taylor's representation of three (3) clients in their respective Federal Employee Compensation Act ("FECA") cases. The Hearing Panel found that Mr. Taylor failed to adequately communicate with the three (3) clients and failed to properly keep them informed of the status of their cases. Additionally, the Hearing Panel also found that Mr. Taylor was in an improper partnership with a non-lawyer and failed to deposit retainer fees into a trust account.

Mr. Taylor's ethical misconduct violates Rules of Professional Conduct (RPC) 1.4 (communication), 1.15 (a) and (c) (safekeeping property and funds), 5.4(b) (professional independence of a lawyer), and 8.4 (g) (misconduct).

Mr. Taylor must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30.4 regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and the procedure for reinstatement. Taylor 2936-1 rel.doc