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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: GEORGE H. THOMPSON, BPR #003024**  
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**DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED**

On April 28, 2020, the Tennessee Supreme Court entered an order suspending George H. Thompson from the practice of law in Tennessee for a period of one (1) year, with thirty (30) days active.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a petition for discipline against Mr. Thompson alleging misconduct during the representation of a client. The Hearing Panel found that Mr. Thompson filed suit on behalf of his client, and then filed a voluntary nonsuit. The Hearing Panel held that even though he intended to refile the case, he failed to do so, and the statute of limitations expired. Mr. Thompson entered an agreement with his client to settle a potential malpractice claim and made a payment to his client, but did not advise his client in writing to consult another attorney regarding that agreement. The Hearing Panel held that Mr. Thompson violated Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct 1.1 (competence); 1.3 (diligence); 1.8(h)(2) (conflict of interest); and 8.4(c) (misconduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation).

On appeal, the trial court upheld the judgment of the Hearing Panel, and the Supreme Court affirmed, finding the same violations.

Pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 28.1, the suspension is effective upon entry of the order by the Court. Mr. Thompson must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 28 and 30, regarding the obligations and responsibilities of suspended attorneys and may not return to the active practice of law in Tennessee until an order of reinstatement has been entered by the Supreme Court.

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