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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT JOSEPH TURNER, BPR #015107
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## DAVIDSON COUNTY LAWYER SUSPENDED

Effective November 21, 2025, the Supreme Court of Tennessee suspended Robert Joseph Turner from the practice of law for one (1) year, with thirty (30) days to be served as an active suspension pursuant to Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 12.2, and the remainder to be served on probation conditioned upon Mr. Turner's engagement of a practice monitor.

Mr. Turner was retained to represent a client in a civil matter against a general contractor. During the pendency of the litigation at least five (5) separate associates employed by Mr. Turner were assigned to handle the litigation, although Mr. Turner remained counsel of record. Over a four (4) year period, Mr. Turner, or an associate assigned to the matter who Mr. Turner was supervising, failed to appear for hearings on multiple occasions, missed multiple deadlines memorialized in a scheduling order, and failed to comply with court orders to contact the court. In dismissing the matter, the trial court cited as the basis for dismissal Mr. Turner's failure to properly represent his client and comply with court orders.

Mr. Turner executed a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging his conduct violated Tennessee Rules of Professional 1.3 (diligence) and 5.1 (responsibilities of supervisory lawyers).

Mr. Turner 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.

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