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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: WILLIAM ALAN ALDER, BPR #23214**  
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**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
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December 30, 2013

**DAVIDSON COUNTY ATTORNEY DISBARRED**

On December 26, 2013, William Alan Alder of Nashville, Tennessee was disbarred by Order of the Tennessee Supreme Court. He must pay the Board of Professional Responsibility's costs in this matter.

In handling a personal injury suit, Mr. Alder failed to obtain service of process on the defendants resulting in the suit being dismissed with prejudice. Mr. Alder failed to inform his clients that the case had been dismissed. Instead, he misled them to believe that the lawsuit was progressing normally and eventually told them the lawsuit had settled, providing them a fictitious release.

His actions violate the following Rules of Professional Conduct: 1.1, Competence; 1.3, Diligence; 1.4, Communication; 1.16, Declining or Terminating Representation; 3.2, Expediting Litigation; 8.1(b), Bar Admission and Disciplinary Matters; and 8.4(a) and (c), Misconduct.

Mr. Alder must comply with the requirements of Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 9, Sections 18 and 19 should he seek reinstatement of his Tennessee law license and he may not resume practice until reinstated by further order of this Court.

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