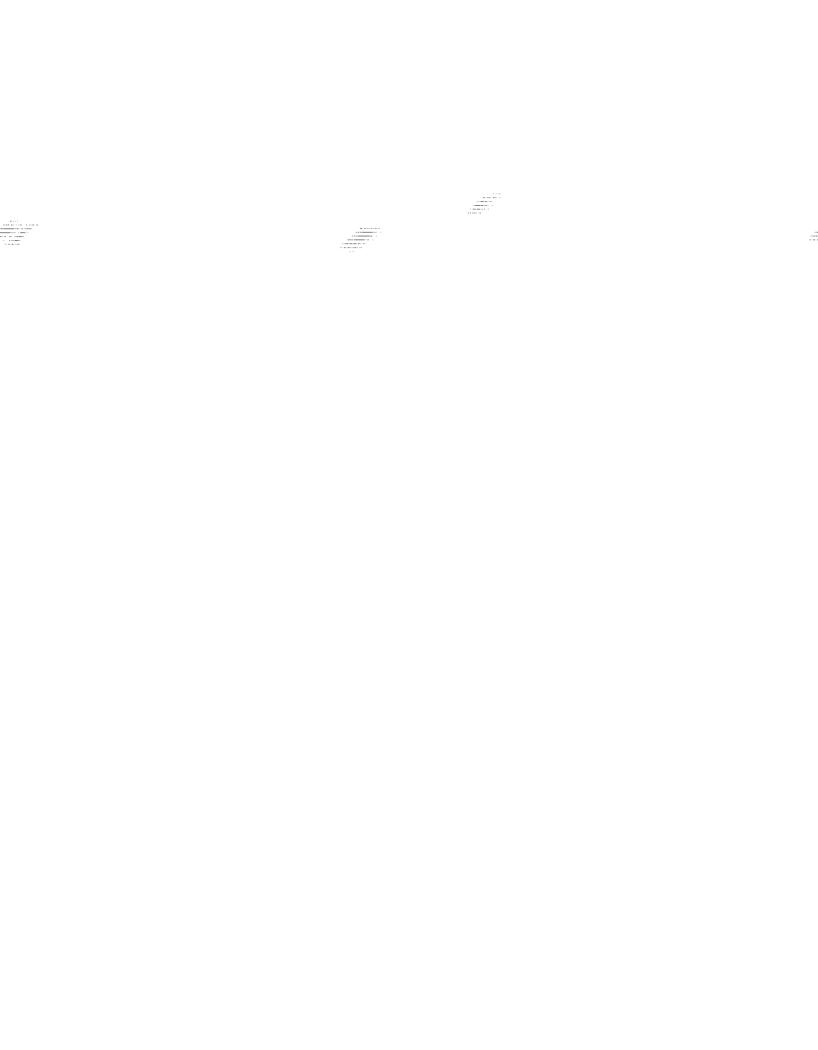
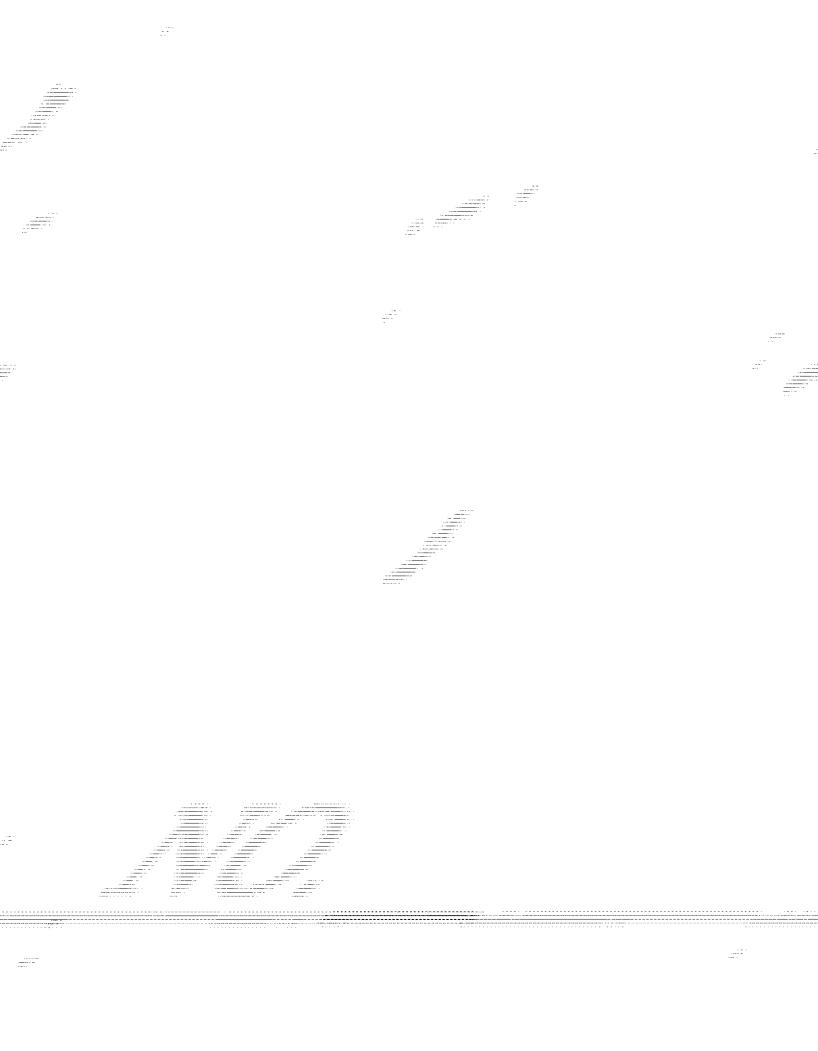
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his principal place of practice is in Tarrant County, Texas. An officer may serve citation on Respondent at

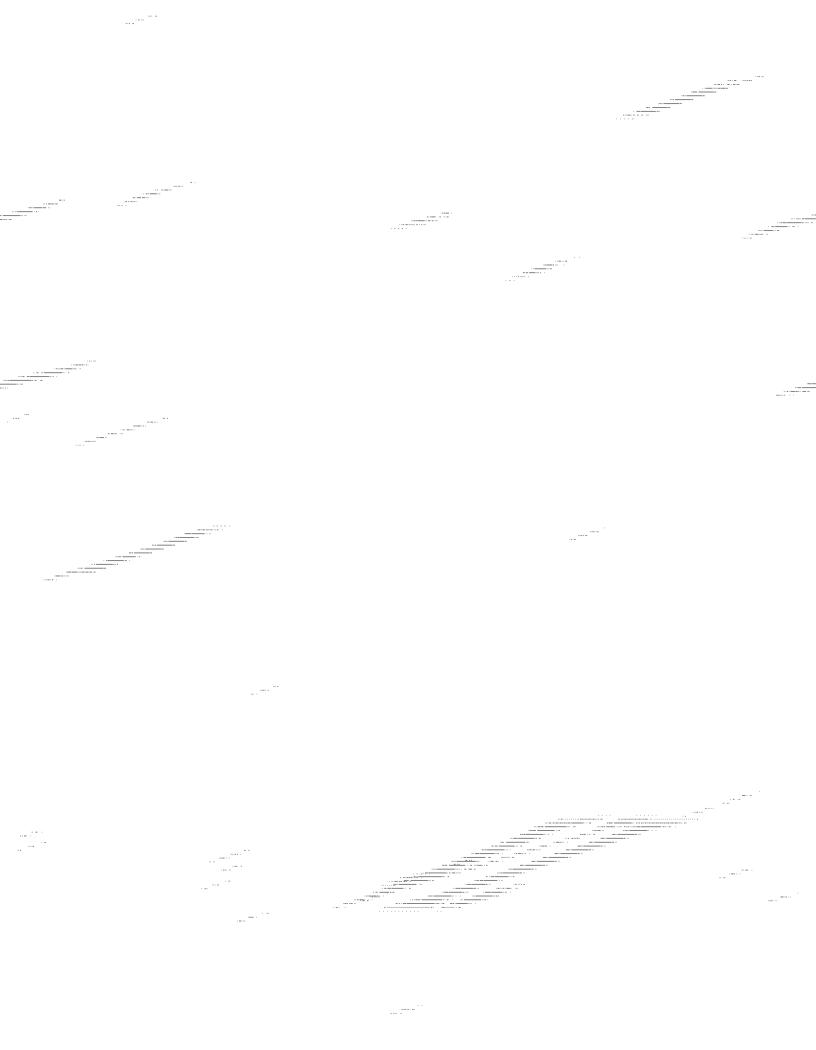
## CAUSE OF ACTION ARISING FROM TETTLETON COMPLAINT

IV.

In or about May of 1998, Respondent was retained by David Tettleton (hereinafter called "Complainant") to represent him in a personal injury matter arising out of an accident occurring on October 4, 1997. Respondent settled the case on or about May 25, 1999, for the policy limit of \$25,000. In excess of \$10,000 was disbursed to Complainant and the remainder was to be used to pay attorneys' fees and medical providers. Complainant's medical bills far exceeded the settlement amount. Thereafter, Respondent failed to keep the remaining funds, belonging to Complainant and the medical providers, separate from the Respondent's funds. Instead, Respondent placed the remaining funds into Respondent's law firm account rather than a trust account. Additionally, Respondent failed to promptly provide an accounting of the remaining funds.

V.

By his conduct as alleged above, Respondent has violated Rule(s) 1.14(a) [failing to safekeep funds or property]; 1.14(b) [failing to promptly notify the client of funds belonging to the client]. Such conduct constitutes professional misconduct under Rule 8.04(a)(1) of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, Article X, Section 9, State Bar Rules, effective January 1, 1990.



## STATE BAR OF TEXAS



Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel

August 27, 2001

John T. Adams, Clerk Supreme Court of Texas P.O. Box 12248 Austin, Texas 78711

Re: Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Paul R. Alexander

Dear Mr. Adams:

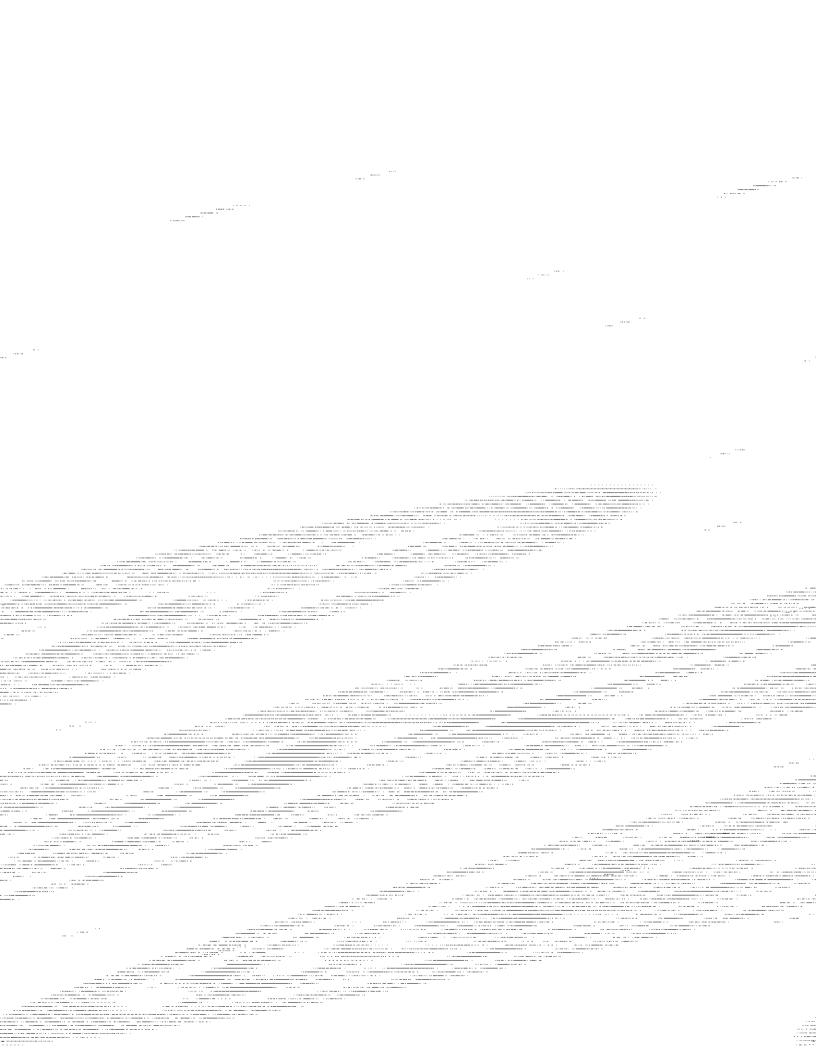
Enclosed please find an original and two (2) copies of a Disciplinary Petition being filed by the Commission for Lawyer Discipline against Paul R. Alexander. Mr. Alexander has designated Tarrant County, Texas, as his principal place of practice. Request is hereby made that the Court appoint an active District Judge who does not reside in the Administrative Judicial Region in which Respondent resides to preside in this case. Upon appointment, request is made that you notify the Respondent at the address shown below and the undersigned of the identity and address of the judge assigned:

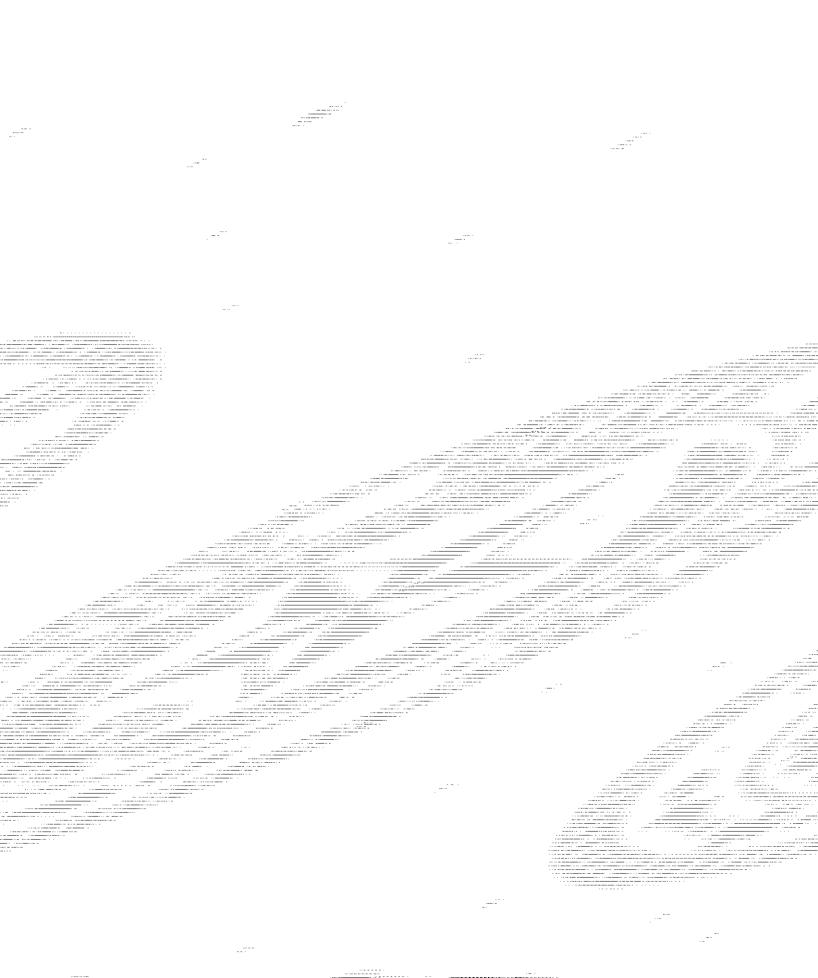


As a practical matter, I would respectfully suggest that you inquire with the judge to be appointed as to: (1) whether he or she will be able to comply with the 180 day deadline by which the case must be set for trial set forth in Section 3.07 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure; and (2) whether he or she can accommodate compliance with *Mellon Service Co.*, et al v. Touche Ross Co., 946 S.W.2d 862 (Tex. App. - Houston [14th Dist.] 1997), which requires that all proceedings incident to a case occur in the county of proper venue. If not, I would respectfully request that an alternate appointment be made.

Once a trial judge has been appointed, please forward the original and two (2) copies of the Disciplinary Petition, the filing fee check, also enclosed herewith, and the Court's appointing order to the District Clerk of Tarrant County, Texas, with the request that the suit be filed, service be obtained, and a file-marked copy of the petition be returned to the undersigned.

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## The Supreme Court of Texas

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Mr. Paul R. Alexander

Dear Ms. Messer and Mr. Alexander:

Pursuant to Rule 3.02 of the Texas Rules of Disciplinary Procedure, I hereby notify you that the Supreme Court of Texas has appointed the Honorable Robert Newsom, Judge of the 8<sup>th</sup> District Court, Sulphur Springs, Texas to preside in

Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Paul R. Alexander

Sincerely,

SIGNED

John T. Adams Clerk