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**GRIFFIN, NORMAN L.**

**BPR # 001223**

October 27, 1995

County: Knox

District: 2

Public censure on October 27, 1995. On March 4, 1991, he filed suit against another attorney, Norman L. Shaw, on behalf of a former employee alleging that Shaw did not compensate the employee to the extent provided in the contract. A motion to dismiss was filed. The Court treated the motion as one for summary judgment. Griffin then filed a new lawsuit on a variation of the defendant's business name which the Court dismissed with prejudice. Shaw claimed this was a frivolous lawsuit. The issue of the frivolous lawsuit did not concern the Board as much as the issue of a belligerent letter Griffin wrote to Shaw's attorney upon Shaw's filing of the complaint with the Board. Griffin was unable to provide an adequate explanation of the letter when asked for one.



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