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May 20, 1997

County: Davidson

District: 5

Public censure on May 20, 1997. The censure resulted from 3 separate complaints filed with the Board. In the first complaint, he was hired to file a civil action concerning a car wreck and failed to file a claim or counter-claim prior to the statute of limitations' expiration. In the second complaint, he represented a client who had failed to pay a judgment resulting in issuance of a garnishment on her employer. The employer asked Shaw for advice about answering the garnishment and he advised the employer not to worry about it, he would take care of it. Because he failed to advise the employer to answer the garnishment, a \$1,200 judgment was entered against the employer. The employee then quit her job, allowing the employer no recourse but to pay the judgment. In the third complaint, he was employed to collect past due child support and to obtain a wage assignment for an Illinois resident. He attended court on July 9, 1995 and the Court granted the relief sought and instructed Shaw to prepare the order. Shaw said he prepared the order and filed it with the clerk and that it must have been lost by the clerk. Approximately 8 months passed and the case was noticed for dismissal due to inactivity. The client employed other counsel and the order was promptly prepared and filed.



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