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Public censure on September 11, 1998. In the first matter, the administrator of a decedent's estate paid him to obtain an appraisal for a piece of property in Eastern Arkansas. Wilson did not return the administrator's calls between 1996 and 1997 and refused to refund the money after a face-to-face demand for such by the administrator in June 1997. He eventually refunded the money in February 1998 after a complaint was filed with the Board. In the second matter, while representing a client in a federal court employment discrimination suit, he falsely certified service of a Motion for an Extension of Time to File a Summary Judgment response to defendant's counsel on January 16, 1998, where the proof reflected that his cover letter accompanying the motion was dated January 22, 1998, and the envelope enclosing it was postmarked January 23, 1998. He also served the motion upon an attorney who had withdrawn by Order entered in March 1997. After the Motion was granted, he again missed the Court's new filing deadline. After the Court extended the deadline a second time, he appeared at the Clerk's office late and brought only one set of exhibits instead of the required two. He further acted improperly with the Clerk's office and, later the same day, with the Court in a disagreement over rules. The Court ordered Wilson to report his conduct to the Board as set forth in its February 4, 1998 Order, but he neglected to do so until June 26, 1998.



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