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**BASTIAN, MATTHEW Q.**

**BPR # 012562**

August 17, 1998

County: Maury

District: 6

Public censure on August 17, 1998. The censure was based on three complaints. In two of the complaints, he represented clients in litigation where he failed to reasonably communicate with the clients; did not answer or return phone calls; and neglected both matters while repeatedly promising performance which never occurred. The third involved him opening a law office in a different county without informing his clients of his move. A large amount of unopened mail accumulated and many message were recorded on his answering machine without return calls because he was seldom at the office.



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