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NASHVILLE LAWYER CENSURED

Jefre S. Goldtrap, a Nashville attorney, was publicly censured by the Board of Professional Responsibility on May 14, 2003. A public censure is a public rebuke and warning to the attorney but it does not affect the attorney's right to practice law.

The board found that Goldtrap was held in contempt and fined \$50.00 by the Court of Criminal Appeals for failure to file a timely brief. Goldtrap filed a late brief but he acknowledged it was not filed by the deadline the Court had imposed by order.

The board found that Goldtrap violated disciplinary rules by intentionally disregarding a rule of procedure. His conduct was found to be prejudicial to the administration of justice.

The disciplinary rules are mandatory for all attorneys. They state a minimum level of conduct and any violation reflects negatively on the standing and integrity of the bar.

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