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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: BEDE O.M. ANYANWU, BPR #24293
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July 17, 2020

JACKSON LAWYER CENSURED

On July 17, 2020, Bede O.M. Anyanwu, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Anyanwu raised claims in a civil pleading which had no factual or legal basis. Mr. Anyanwu had an obligation to withdraw such claims upon his determination that the claims could not be supported but failed to do so. Mr. Anyanwu failed to keep his client informed of fees he had billed during the representation and many of Mr. Anyanwu's fees were unreasonable based upon the amount of time charged for simple and administrative tasks. Mr. Anyanwu also revealed confidential information in his Motion to Withdraw by stating that his client's claims were personally repugnant and could not be defended.

By these acts, Bede O.M. Anyanwu has violated Rule of Professional Conduct 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 1.6 (confidentiality), 3.1 (meritorious claims), and 8.4(a) and (d) (misconduct), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations. As a condition of the Public Censure, Mr. Anyanwu is prohibited from seeking payment for any outstanding balance owed by his client.

A Public Censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but it does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

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