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RELEASE OF INFORMATION
RE: ROBERT M. ASBURY, BPR #017024
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BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
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September 26, 2011

KNOXVILLE LAWYER CENSURED

On September 22, 2011, Robert M. Asbury of Knoxville, Tennessee was publicly censured by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

The Board of Professional Responsibility filed a Petition for Discipline pursuant to Rule 9, Rules of the Supreme Court. Mr. Asbury submitted a Conditional Guilty Plea acknowledging violating Tennessee Supreme Court Rule 8, Rules of Professional Conduct 1.4 (communication); 1.5 (fees) and 8.4 (misconduct).

Mr. Asbury deposited funds into his business account rather than his trust account. Mr. Asbury's clients suffered no loss or injury.

For these violations, the Tennessee Supreme Court publicly censured Robert Asbury. A public censure is a rebuke and warning to the attorney, but does not affect the attorney's ability to practice law.

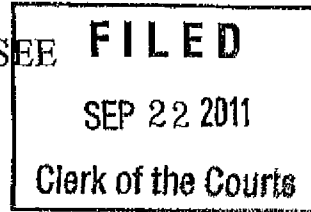
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE



ROBERT M. ASBURY, BPR #017024
An Attorney Licensed to Practice Law in Tennessee
(Knox County)

No. M2011-02014-SC-BPO-BP - Filed: September 22, 2011

BOPR No. 2011-2014-2-SG

ORDER OF ENFORCEMENT

This matter is before the Court upon a Petition for Discipline filed by the Board of Professional Responsibility ("Board") against Robert M. Asbury on February 18, 2011; upon Mr. Asbury's Answer to Petition for Discipline filed March 24, 2011; upon Mr. Asbury's Conditional Guilty Plea filed August 18, 2011; and upon the Hearing Panel Order Approving the Conditional Guilty Plea filed August 18, 2011; upon Board approval of Mr. Asbury's Conditional Guilty Plea, on September 9, 2011 and upon the entire record in this cause.

From all of which the Court approves the Order of the Hearing Panel and adopts the Order of the Hearing Panel as the Court's Order.

It is therefore, **ORDERED, ADJUDGED** and **DECREED** by the Court that:

1. Robert M. Asbury is publicly censured.
2. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 24.3, Robert M. Asbury shall pay to the Board of Professional Responsibility the expenses and costs of this matter in the amount of \$1,130.17, within ninety (90) days of the entry of this Order, and in addition, shall pay to the Clerk of this Court the costs incurred herein, for all of which execution may issue if necessary.
3. The Board of Professional Responsibility shall cause notice of this discipline to be published as required by Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.10.

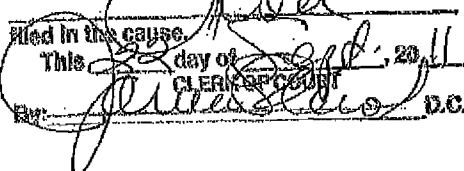
4. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, Section 18.5, this Order shall be effective ten days after the date of entry.

FOR THE COURT:



WILLIAM C. KOCH, JR., JUSTICE

I, Michael W. Catalano, Clerk, hereby certify that
this is a true and exact copy of the original

Filed in the cause _____
This _____ day of _____, 2011
CLERK OF COURT
By:  D.C.