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IN RE: CHRISTOPHER WAYNE BARBER, BPR NO. 20607 FILE NO. 34060-6-PS and 34064-6-PS
Respondent, an attorney licensed
to practice law in Tennessee
(Montgomery County)

PUBLIC CENSURE

The above complaints were filed against Christopher Wayne Barber, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, alleging certain acts of misconduct. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 9, the Board of Professional Responsibility considered these matters at its meeting on December 9, 2011.

In the first complaint, the Respondent violated Rule 5.5 by practicing law while his license was suspended for failure to pay the Professional Privilege Tax. In the second complaint, the Respondent charged his client an unreasonable fee given the scant amount of work he performed, in violation of Rules 1.3 and 1.5. Also, he failed to notify his client that his license to practice law had been suspended in violation of Rule 1.4. Finally, the Respondent failed to respond to Disciplinary Counsel's requests for additional information in violation of Rule 8.1(b).

By the aforementioned acts, Christopher Wayne Barber has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), 1.5 (fees), 5.5 (unauthorized practice of law) and 8.1(b) (bar admission and disciplinary matters) and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

FOR THE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Lela Hollabaugh
Lela Hollabaugh, Chair

March 12, 2012
Date