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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION**  
**RE: TERRY MATTHEW BASISTA, #001978**  
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**CAMPBELL COUNTY LAWYER CENSURED**

On October 10, 2023, Terry Matthew Basista, an attorney licensed to practice law in Tennessee, received a Public Censure from the Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Mr. Basista won an award of child support for his client by agreement of the parties during a hearing in Claiborne County Chancery Court on July 21, 2015. Mr. Basista failed to file an order for over two (2) years and failed to stay abreast of the case, resulting in an order of closure being filed on August 18, 2017.

By these acts, Mr. Basista has violated Rules of Professional Conduct 1.3 (diligence), 1.4 (communication), and 3.2 (expediting litigation), and is hereby Publicly Censured for these violations.

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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